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PROCEEDINGS	
(Court was called to order by the courtroom deputy.)	
(Proceedings begin at 1:04.)	
THE COURT: Good afternoon. Please sit down.	
I understand that defendants want to interrupt	01:04:04
Dr. Hoekstra's testimony with another witness.	
MR. WHITAKER: Josh Whitaker for the State and	
Attorney General, Your Honor. Yes. Todd Lawson, a prosecutor	
with the Attorney General's Office, has some limited	
availability today and we would like to try to squeeze him in	01:04:24
to keep things expedited.	
THE COURT: You may call him.	
MR. WHITAKER: The defense calls Todd Lawson.	
COURTROOM DEPUTY: Raise your right hand for me.	
(TODD LAWSON, a witness herein, was duly sworn or	01:04:46
affirmed.)	
COURTROOM DEPUTY: Thank you. And could you state	
your name and spell your last name for the record?	
THE WITNESS: Todd Lawson. L-A-W-S-O-N.	

COURTROOM DEPUTY: Thank you. And you can go ahead and have a seat.

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THE COURT: Please proceed, Mr. Whitaker.

DIRECT EXAMINATION

BY MR. WHITAKER:

Good afternoon, Mr. Lawson.

Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 9 of 166 TODD LAWSON - Direct Good afternoon. Α. 01:05:21 Where are you employed? I work for the Arizona Attorney General's Office. Α. And what your position? Q. I am a senior litigation counsel assigned to the Criminal 01:05:25 Α. Division. Q. Do you prosecute cases for the office? Α. I do. Q. How long have you prosecuted cases for the office? I became a Special Assistant Attorney General assigned to 01:05:35 prosecute cases in May of 2000. THE COURT: Could I ask you to speak more directly into the microphone, please. THE WITNESS: Yes, Your Honor. Is that better? THE COURT: Yes. It is. 01:05:47 MR. WHITAKER: Your Honor, would you like the witness to repeat that last answer? THE COURT: No. I could hear him. I was concerned

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about the people in the back of the courtroom.

MR. WHITAKER: All right.

Is that a major focus of your work?

Mr. Lawson, have you prosecuted crimes related to voting

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BY MR. WHITAKER:

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A. For a couple of years it was the primary thing I was paid	01:06:07
to do were election-related offenses, yes.	
Q. And what years were those?	
A. Those began in October of 2019 through the end of this	
current fiscal year so June 30 of this year.	01:06:22
Q. Had you prosecuted crimes related to voting laws before	
that time?	
A. I had.	
Q. Can you explain a little bit about your experience there?	
A. So I became a prosecutor with the agency in 2000. There	01:06:33
are a number of various case loads and expertise that people	
build up over the years. In 2010 there became a need for	
people to investigate offenses under Title XVI and I started	
doing those cases around that time.	
Q. Is there any other prosecutor in the office, to your	01:06:54
knowledge, who focuses on voting law prosecutions?	
A. No.	
Q. Are you familiar with the offices Election Integrity Unit?	
A. Yes. I was assigned to that unit for, again, just over	

And were you the only prosecutor assigned to that unit?

Can you generally describe your understanding of why that

The legislature created the unit to investigate offenses

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three years.

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unit was created?

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related to actually, not just offenses but any sorts of	01:07:32
questions or allegations related to conduct of elections.	
Q. And have there been investigators in that unit?	
A. Yes. The unit as it was constituted included myself as a	
prosecutor and an assigned investigator.	01:07:48
Q. We heard testimony earlier today from an expert witness	
that voter fraud in Arizona is rare. Would you agree with that	
characterization?	
A. Yes.	
Q. We heard testimony from that same expert that voter fraud	01:08:04
with non-citizens in Arizona is extremely rare. Would you	
agree with that assessment?	
A. Yes.	
Q. Has the Attorney General's Office, to your knowledge,	
published online a list of voting related prosecutions in the	01:08:18
past several years?	
A. Yes, they have.	

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Do you recall roughly when that list first started to become published?

I began preparing a list which is for some points in this time frame was the list and other times it was a version of that list. I began compiling that document in earliest 2013 -excuse me latest 2013, perhaps as early as 2011.

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And that was -- you anticipated my next question. Are you the primary drafter of that document?

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A. Yes. I have been the person to maintain it over the	01:08:55
years, yes.	
MR. WHITAKER: All right. Can we pull up Plaintiffs'	
Exhibit 292?	
BY MR. WHITAKER:	01:09:12
Q. Is this the document you were referring to?	
A. I believe it is. I would know by the last page where	
there's a number on it, a tracking number. That looks like my	
document, yes.	
Q. Can we turn to page eight of the document?	01:09:26
A. Yes. That is a version so the way our office works is	
there's a unique number assigned to every document. Here	
that's the number begins 499. The version number in this case	
is 23 and there's a date after it which shows the date of this	
version. I prepared this one, yes.	01:09:42
Q. Okay. And is this, to your knowledge, the version of the	
document that's currently on the office's website?	
A. That's correct. I haven't had the opportunity to update	
it since April.	
Q. All right.	01:09:53

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MR. WHITAKER: Can we go back to page one?

BY MR. WHITAKER:

The top of this page there's a disclaimer that says these are only cases prosecuted by the Arizona Attorney General's Office. Are there other agencies in Arizona with authority to

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prosecute voting-related crimes? 01:10:09 1 2 Yes. Α. And what are those agencies, to your knowledge? 3 Q. The U.S. Attorney's Office could pursue voting-related 4 Α. 5 crimes as well any County Attorney who had an offense in their 01:10:18 jurisdiction. 6 7 Part A of this document says prosecutions related to illegal voting by individuals since 2010 and I'll represent to 8 9 you that a few pages later part B says prosecutions related to elections since 2010. Can you briefly explain that 10 01:10:37 11 distinction? There were some iterations of this document where those 12 Α. 13 two things were commingled and people were counting prosecutions of candidates for things like petition fraud under 14 15 the umbrella of saying we had prosecuted those people for 01:10:53 voting legally when we hadn't. And so, again, my case load 16 17 included anything related to Title XVI, which included other 18 offenses that aren't specifically involving voting, and so I 19 divided this list to make it a little more clear. Let's go to page five of the document. So page five 20 01:11:17 indicates that the numbers of prosecutions related to illegal 21 voting go up to number 38; right? 22 That's correct. That was accurate as of the date of the 23 document. 24

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And I'm not going to go through all 38

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All right.

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definitely but what's the most common type of illegal voting	01:11:36
case that you have prosecuted?	
A. Double voting. People voting in more than one	
jurisdiction on the same date.	
Q. Is it fair to say that none of the numbered entries one	01:11:51
through 38 involve a charge of a non-citizen voting?	
A. That's accurate. That's correct.	
Q. Now, also on that page there's a bullet under Additional	
Notes that says, "Four additional cases have been charged and	
are sealed pending the arrest of the defendants."	01:12:10
What does that mean?	
A. By way of background, there are cases that are charged in	
public, meaning the individual has been served with either a	
summons or has been served with an arrest warrant so then they	
know the charges pending against them. An Arizona criminal	01:12:29
procedure when that hasn't occurred, the charges against that	
person are sealed.	
I know those cases exist and so I am disclosing that	
here that there are four cases that exist but I'm not at	
liberty to provide case numbers, defendant names, jurisdictions	01:12:45
and the charges that are involved and so that's what that point	
means.	

THE COURT: Since you last made the report, have any

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THE WITNESS: One has but it is not a non-citizen

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of these four become public?

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BY MR. WHITAKER:

Q. And that was going to be one of my questions. Is any of these four cases a case involving a charge of a non-citizen voting?

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A. One is and then in addition, while we were preparing for this case, for the deposition in this case, I learned of another case that involved a non-citizen that was charged by another attorney, so it's not a case that appeared on this tracking chart.

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So as I sit here today, I'm aware of two cases that our agency has involving non-citizens who are alleged to have voted.

THE COURT: Are either of them public?

THE WITNESS: Neither of them are and, Your Honor, what we did prior to the deposition is, we reviewed E.R. 3.8, the state grand jury secrecy statute, which is 13-2812, and determined that we were prepared to provide some limited background information about those cases such that doesn't identify the person targeted and charged with any specificity so we're not holding them up to public scorn without them having been served, and also that we're not going to be able to identify them such that a person could go and find that person and say, "You were charged. They were testifying about your case in court today."

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So we did, during the course of the deposition, provide some limited information about that -- them and I'm prepared to provide that as well here today.

BY MR. WHITAKER:

Q. With the Court's permission, could you provide general information about those two cases?

A. Sure. The one that actually is among those four, the one that I charged was an individual who, to start the time line back at the beginning, the individual appeared to have entered the country with the permission of friends or distant relatives who had had a child die and that child had died in Mexico. The child had been born in the U.S. and had valid claim to U.S. citizenship. But because they had died outside the United States, their death hadn't been recorded. So there was nothing that indicated that that person was no longer alive in the U.S. database.

Our target presented themselves at the U.S. border identifying themselves as this deceased child and was allowed essentially to enter and assume that person's the identity and they did so with the permission of the family member whose child it was. They then proceeded to live in the United States for a number of years and while they lived here, they did vote in I believe it's at least five different General Elections. Then at some point they became cross-wise with the family that had sponsored them -- sponsored him into the United States.

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That family then reported him for a criminal violation and he became a fugitive.

At some point during his time being a fugitive he was caught by a local police department in southern Arizona and asked to be removed and identified himself with his real name and real information and said he was a Mexican national and instead of being here, he wanted to be removed back to Mexico, please.

In the course of the search incident to that arrest, they found his voter registration card and other information relevant to his use of the other identity. That was then reported to us and we conducted an investigation which was primarily focused on Title XVI violations.

That case was presented and is currently on warrant status.

- Q. All right. And then you mentioned two cases. Can you give just a general -- without violating any ethical obligations you have, a general summary of the second case you're aware of?
- A. The second case involves an individual who was investigated for fraud in the AHCCCS, Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System, providing medical benefits. There was an allegation that a person who had obtained those benefits had done that fraudulently because they were not a U.S. citizen.

In the course of that investigation, they did contact

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Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 18 of 166 TODD LAWSON - Direct the person and learn that that person was registered to vote. 01:17:36 And when that case was filed, it was filed primarily as a fraud and benefits case but they also added a charge that related to the illegal registration by that person. That case is also in warrant status. 01:17:54 And to your knowledge, neither of those cases has resulted Q. in a conviction? Α. That's correct. THE COURT: In the second case, was there further investigation as to whether or not the person had actually 01:18:07 voted or was just registered to vote? THE WITNESS: I cannot speak to that specifically, Your Honor. I just know that the primary focus of the case was the benefits fraud and the Title XVI offense was essentially an additional charge that was added later in the process. 01:18:21 BY MR. WHITAKER: I want to switch gears just a little bit. Are you aware

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- of a statute that criminalizes what is called false registration in Arizona?
- I believe you're referring to 16-182. I'm familiar 20 with it. 21
 - Yes. Does that statute require a level of intent on the Q. part of the alleged perpetrator?
 - The language in it is that the person not knowing that they are -- or knowing that they are able to vote -- or able to 01:18:58

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I don't like to quote the law without it in front of me and I'm here on the stand so I'm at a loss.

Q. Do you know whether the statute requires that a person convicted under that law must have known that they are not eligible to register?

THE COURT: You know what, rather than asking him to tell us what the statute says, if it's of any importance, you can just put it in your findings and conclusions and I'll make sure that that is what the statute says.

MR. WHITAKER: That makes sense, Your Honor. Thank you.

BY MR. WHITAKER:

- Q. More generally, what is the standard you use when deciding 01:19:48 whether to charge a case?
- A. The prosecuting standard used by our agency is reasonable likelihood of conviction. It means based on the evaluation of our agency, that if the matter was presented to a trial jury, that it is likely that that jury would return a guilty verdict on the charges to the beyond a reasonable doubt standard.
- Q. Have there been times where there was an allegation that someone voted while ineligible but you didn't think there was enough evidence to prosecute that case?
- A. Yes. 01:20:26

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THE COURT: Did any of those instances involve non-citizen voting as opposed to other ineligibility?

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THE WITNESS: The one example that came readily to mind while I was preparing here today is, we did have an allegation that involved a person who voted from Israel. And the allegation was that that was a non-citizen voting in the election.

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When we did the research, the Investigation Section did their research, the person was a U.S. citizen who was simply residing in Israel temporarily. They voted through the UOCAVA provisions of federal law and they are allowed to do that and so they legally cast a vote.

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THE COURT: So your conclusion wasn't that there wasn't a substantial likelihood conviction; your conclusion was there was no crime?

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THE WITNESS: There was no crime, that's correct.

BY MR. WHITAKER:

Q. To your knowledge, have there been not specific allegations of crimes but general complaints from members of the public expressing concern that a lack of a proof of citizenship requirement could allow non-citizens to vote?

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- Q. Those are not things you would prosecute; right?
- A. That's correct. In terms of -- I would need a specific else allegation in order to pursue something like that.

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Q. You mentioned earlier that the most common type of case	01:22:04
you've prosecuted is double voting. Compared with that kind of	
a case, would a non-citizen voting case be, in your opinion,	
easier to detect, harder to detect, or about the same?	
MR. DODGE: Objection. Speculation. Legal	01:22:22
conclusion.	
THE COURT: Sustained.	
BY MR. WHITAKER:	
Q. Then that's all the questions I have for you. Thank you.	
A. Thank you.	01:22:29
THE COURT: Any other direct questions for this	
witness.	
DIRECT EXAMINATION	
BY MR. LANGHOFER:	
Q. Just one. Good afternoon, Mr. Lawson. You said that the	01:22:40
table well, while I'm here, I suppose we should move the	
exhibit into evidence. I think it was 292.	
MR. DODGE: I believe it's already been admitted.	
BY MR. LANGHOFER:	
Q. Sir, you said the table was current as of April 4 of this	01:22:57
year. Are there any updates to that table that concern	
non-citizen voting at that time that you just haven't entered?	
A. No, sir.	
Q. Thank you.	

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THE COURT: Mr. Dodge, cross?

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	TODD LAWSON - Cross	
1	MR. DODGE: Thank you, Your Honor.	01:23:15
2	CROSS - EXAMINATION	
3	BY MR. DODGE:	
4	Q. Good to see you again. I need to re-create some of the	
5	questions from our deposition but Mr. Whitaker got to a fair	01:23:22
6	number of them so I'm hoping we can make it quick?	
7	MR. DODGE: Can we pull up PX 292?	
8	BY MR. DODGE:	
9	Q. You created this list around 2011; is that right?	
10	A. Sometime back that far. It was a long time ago. There	01:23:38
11	have been many versions of it.	
12	Q. And you're the individual responsible for maintaining this	
13	list in your office?	
14	A. That's correct.	
15	Q. And it covers prosecutions going back to the 2010 election	01:23:47
16	cycle?	
17	A. I believe actually the first cases there may be 2008	
18	election cycle cases that just took us some time to investigate	
19	and prosecute.	
20	Q. I appreciate the clarification. At least with respect to	01:23:59
21	public information, this list is comprehensive with respect to	
22	your office's prosecutions going back to that time?	
23	A. I hate to say comprehensive. It is what I'm aware of and	
24	this is what I'm assigned; but as I discovered in the prep for	
25	this, if other attorneys are filing those and they are not the	01:24:15
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information -- the genus of this list was the idea that we were getting a number of media complaints -- not complaints but requests for information and I wanted to make sure this was all accurate.

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And this is just for the record, but none of these prosecutions concern non-citizen voting?

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Q. And if you were aware of any successful prosecutions by	01:25:23
your office for non-citizen registration or voting since 2008,	
2010, you would add them to this list?	
A. Correct.	
Q. And you can't think any reason why your office would have	01:25:34
chosen not to include a successful prosecution of a non-citizen	
on this list?	
A. I cannot.	
Q. You would agree with me there have been dozens of	
elections in Arizona since 2020?	01:25:46
A. Counting primaries and generals, yes.	
Q. And you would agree there were millions of ballots cast in	
Arizona since 2010.	
A. Yes.	
Q. You mentioned that most of these cases involved double	01:25:58
voting. To your knowledge, do the laws at issue in this	
litigation address the issue of double voting?	
A. I don't pretend to have command of all of the statutes	
that were passed but to my knowledge, no, these are not	
statutes about double voting.	01:26:17
Q. So setting aside this list for a moment, since 2010 you	
would agree with me your office has received thousands of	

You would agree your office received thousands of election 01:26:32

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complaints alleging violations of the election laws?

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complaints related to 2020 alone?	01:26:35
A. That's correct.	
Q. And your office has conducted, ballpark, 300 or so formal	
investigations into election-related offenses since 2010?	
A. Yeah. The number I believe I gave you previously was	01:26:46
somewhere between 2 to 300 and I would be hard pressed to pin	
it down to an exact number.	
Q. I appreciate your clarification.	
THE COURT: Would the discrepancy thousands of	
complaints, 300 investigations have largely to do with	01:26:59
non-specificity of complaints?	
THE WITNESS: For example, the complaint I referenced	
by Israel would be counted in the larger number but not the	
smaller number because we did the opening work, looked at it,	
said this doesn't this is not something that we would pursue	01:27:20
and it would not get into the smaller number. Does that make	
sense, Your Honor.	
THE COURT: Oh, his question said something about	
formal investigation. I was just thinking about investigation.	
Obviously you investigated the person who voted from Israel but	01:27:36
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f did not put any process in motion for possible charges?

THE WITNESS: I doubt the person knows there was even a complaint made about them.

THE COURT: I was trying to get the magnitude of thousands of complaints, a very small percentage of

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investigations. Is it because many of the complaints are just a generic I think your office should be investigating all of this voter fraud as opposed to somebody from Israel voted?

THE WITNESS: So let me answer your question with the best statistic I can. When we started taking complaints in 202 we began trying to classify them best we could by time. The single largest type of complaint we had in 2020 were Sharpie complaints which arose from a myth that was perpetrated on election day that if you marked your ballot with a Sharpie, it wouldn't count.

THE COURT: Sharpie gate.

THE WITNESS: Yes. And we had hundreds of Sharpie complaints that came in. Those come in to the count of thousands of complaints includes all the Sharpie complaints.

THE COURT: Okay. Because it's all election related as opposed to fraud related.

THE WITNESS: The people who were alleging that their vote wasn't counted because of a Sharpie were technically alleging fraud but they were doing so based on incorrect information.

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Q. I promise I don't have any questions about markers.

THE COURT: It was the issue of the moment for a couple of days until I think the Attorney General said we can read -- maybe all the County Recorders said we can read

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select few U.S. Attorney cases. But I'm aware of the

Thank you. And that's what I was looking for.

I saw the look on your face as I was answering.

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Q.

Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 28 of 166 TODD LAWSON - Cross I'm trying to get you out of here quickly, sir. 01:30:54 Q. Of course. So this interrogatory on its face was not limited to Q. prosecutions by your office? And that is part of the reason we made sure to 01:31:02 Α. provide you the information about the two sealed cases, so that we wouldn't -- we wanted to make sure you had a full picture. I appreciate that. Just so it's clear on the record, this interrogatory asked about political subdivisions within the State of Arizona? 01:31:19 Yes. And to the extent during the deposition I indicated we had a chart that I was aware of that had some other jurisdictions on it, we provided that to you. And take a moment to review your office's response to the interrogatory. 01:31:32 Okay. You see a citation there to a Bates number; right?

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you're a criminal attorney but I suspect you know what a Bates number is.

I see the 349.

Right. And that's the list of prosecutions we've sort of been discussing.

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I think that's the same one, yes. Α.

And it notes the existence of one pending case where a charge involved a non-citizen; correct?

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A. Yes. And that was the one we talked about, the four, one	01:32:21
of those, and then in the course of preparing, we found the	
sector one.	
Q. And we'll get to that. I'm just building the record here.	
We agreed that this response, with the exception of that sealed	01:32:29
case, doesn't contain any instances of non-citizen voting?	
A. I'm sorry. I don't understand your question.	
Q. Let me ask a little more precisely. The interrogatory	
response incorporates the AG's prosecution list; right?	
A. Yes.	01:32:49
Q. And that list doesn't have any instances of non-citizen	
voting?	
MR. LANGHOFER: Cumulative.	
THE COURT: Sustained.	
BY MR. DODGE:	01:32:58
Q. This interrogatory response, with the exception of the	
sealed case, does not identify any non-citizen voters?	
A. Correct. And then I believe this was amended and it was	
an amended response.	
Q. Could we pull up Plaintiffs' Exhibit 106 and can we go to	01:33:12
PDF page three?	
This is the supplemental response?	
A. Yes. And this was after we discovered the second case	
that wasn't one that I was responsible for.	

Final question on this: Your interrogatory responses

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1	beyond these two sealed cases does not identify any instances	01:33:32
2	of non-citizen voting in Arizona?	
3	A. That's correct.	
4	MR. DODGE: So let's go to Plaintiffs' Exhibit 292	
5	and go to PDF page six and zoom in at the top there. Yes.	01:33:49
6	That's right.	
7	Q. Do you see that second bullet that says approximately two	
8	involve ballots cast with individuals who were not eligible to	
9	vote?	
10	A. Yes, sir.	01:34:05
11	Q. That's different than the two sealed cases we were just	
12	talking about; right?	
13	A. That's correct.	
14	Q. And to the best of your recollection, those cases involved	
15	instances of a felon without restored rights voting?	01:34:11
16	A. That's correct.	
17	Q. You talked to Mr. Whitaker a little bit about why or	
18	that this document is divided into illegal voting cases and	
19	election cases?	
20	A. Correct.	01:34:30
21	Q. Can you see as to why the two are different?	
22	A. Again, the original point of preparing this document was	
23	in response to media requests. We used to get a lot of media	
24	requests and the requests would sometimes be ill-formed. They	
25	would say tell us about your election cases or tell us about	01:34:46

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your vote voting cases and then we would have people take one	01:34:49
answer and conflate the two.	
So I felt it was necessary to divide cases about	
candidates and things like that from cases about individuals.	
Q. They are different phenomenon?	01:35:03
A. Different sections, different criminal violations and they	
were being conflated.	
Q. I now want to ask about those two sealed cases and I want	
to be very clear none of my questions are asking you to violate	
your ethical obligations. And if you feel that they are,	01:35:17
please say as much.	
Is it fair to say that those two cases both involved	
individuals who engaged in systematic identity theft over a	
number of years?	
A. I believe that's an accurate description, yes.	01:35:32
O. You mentioned the one instance of the individual who	

- You mentioned the one instance of the individual who assumed the identity of the deceased child. Do you remember that?
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- In your experience as a prosecutor with the Attorney General's Office, you're not aware of another case within Arizona with a similar specific set of facts like that one?
- Α. Involving a voting allegation, no, I'm not.
- And that case was referred to you in 2017? 24 Q.
- 25 Α. Yes.

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were prepared to discuss them even in the abstract was during the deposition to prepare for this case because they are confidential.

So fair to say the answer to my question is yes? Q.

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Do you recall during your deposition we discussed an email 24 25 from a democratic Senate staffer requesting information from 01:37:12

The first is that the laws serve the state's interest in

And can you explain to the Court how the Challenged Laws

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ensuring that voter registration is limited to individuals who

are eligible to vote. Did I get that right?

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you explain how the laws in this litigation would have prevented those individuals from registering to vote? MR. LANGHOFER: Speculation.

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THE COURT: Excuse me. I missed the question.

MR. DODGE: I can repeat it.

THE COURT: I can read it right here. No.

Sustained.

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Based on your experience as the lead prosecutor in the Election Integrity Unit, would the Challenged Laws in this case

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1	have made it more difficult for the two individuals in those	01:39:54
2	cases to register to vote or cast ballots?	
3	MR. LANGHOFER: Same objection.	
4	THE COURT: Sustained.	
5	BY MR. DODGE:	01:40:02
6	Q. Going back to Plaintiffs' Exhibit 105 at PDF page five.	
7	You see that your office also indicated that the Challenged	
8	Laws search the state's interest in ensuring that members of	
9	the public trust elections?	
10	A. Yes, I'm familiar with that.	01:40:16
11	Q. And the response states that, quote, some members of the	
12	public may feel bad about election results, rightly or wrongly.	
13	Do you see that?	
14	A. Yes, I'm aware of that.	
15	Q. You're not able to explain how the Challenged Laws promote	01:40:27
16	public trust in elections? Is that fair to say?	
17	MR. LANGHOFER: Foundation.	
18	THE COURT: Overruled.	
19	You may answer.	
20	THE WITNESS: I will say that one of the motivations	01:40:37
21	in both setting up and then the operation of the Election	
22	Integrity Unit was to address people who had concerns about	
23	elections and either debunked their concerns or if, to the	
24	extent their concerns pointed to valid cases that could be	
25	filed, we pursued those cases.	01:40:51
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1	BY MR. DODGE:	01:41:00
2	Q. The next sentence in the response is that the Challenged	
3	Laws may help alleviate such doubt. Do you see that?	
4	A. I believe in the deposition I said the word "may" does a	
5	lot of work in that sentence.	01:41:12
6	Q. And that's because it's a speculative statement?	
7	A. Yes.	
8	Q. And I actually skipped a sentence. The sentence before	
9	that says: Some members of the public well, the use of term	
10	"may" in that sentence: Some members of the public may feel	01:41:29
11	doubt about election results, rightly or wrongly, you agree	
12	with me that's a speculative statement as well?	
13	A. Correct.	
14	Q. And you agree that your office's response does not	
15	categorically state that the Challenged Laws will help	01:41:44
16	alleviate such doubt?	
17	A. Not categorically we did not respond that way.	
18	Q. Final question. To the best of your knowledge, the	
19	Attorney General's office has not identified any additional	
20	state interests that it believes the Challenged Laws promote	01:42:02
21	beyond the two we were just discussing?	
22	A. No, I don't believe we have.	
23	MR. DODGE: No further questions.	
24	THE COURT: Any other questions on cross-examination	
25	of this witness?	01:42:17

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1	Mr. Whitaker, questions on redirect?	01:42:20
2	MR. WHITAKER: We have no redirect for this witness,	
3	Your Honor.	
4	THE COURT: May Mr. Lawson be excused as a witness?	
5	MR. WHITAKER: Yes.	01:42:43
6	THE COURT: Any objection?	
7	MR. DODGE: No objection.	
8	THE COURT: Thank you, sir. You may step down and	
9	you are excused as a witness.	
10	THE WITNESS: Thank you, Your Honor.	01:42:49
11	(Witness excused.)	
12	MR. LANGHOFER: Your Honor, may Professor Hoekstra be	
13	reseated?	
14	THE WITNESS: Yes, please.	
15	(MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D., a witness herein, was duly	01:43:24
16	sworn or affirmed.)	
17	MR. LANGHOFER: May I proceed, Your Honor?	
18	THE COURT: You may.	
19	DIRECT EXAMINATION	
20	BY MR. LANGHOFER:	01:43:31
21	Q. Professor Hoekstra, welcome back. One cleanup question	
22	before we go on to the next study. In the Cantoni and Pons	
23	study with 1.6 billion observations you described before, are	
24	both of those authors political scientists?	
25	A. I know for Vincent Pons is a trained economist in the	01:43:57
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hey, there's an election and they will compare across those groups with the intent of learning about what the likely impact of these laws can be.

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BY MR. LANGHOFER: 23

> I'm showing you on the screen here, sir, the abstract from the Citrin study. What did they find with their process? 01:45:07

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- A. Yeah. They find that there's -- for low-propensity voters
 there's evidence that when you inform them about this, about
 voter identification laws, they are actually more likely to
 vote to the tune of about one percentage point.
- Q. All right. Was this a randomized controlled experiment?
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- Q. You believe this can address the issue of causality?
- 8 A. Yes, I do.
 - Q. Let's talk now about the --

THE COURT: So was this another two postcards, one that just said go vote and the other one said go vote and, by the way, bring ID?

I don't mischaracterize it. You know, the way most of these studies work, and I have to look in more detail to see what the different treatments are, but sometimes the control is always, you know, a notice that says there's an election; right? And then there might be a treatment arm that says there's an election and, by the way, there's a voter identification law. And then the third one, and I think in this one they actually have some evidence that says here's how you might go about getting an acceptable ID; right? So they are also telling them something about how to potentially solve a problem.

And in other cases I don't remember here, I think in the previous paper they had one treatment arm that said are you

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aware that, you know, a lot of people believe that these things are likely to have a disproportionate impact on minorities? they will queue different aspects of the law. And, again, this one seems to mostly be about the notification that the law is there and then also the fact that there's help in certain -you can go find help to get an ID.

BY MR. LANGHOFER:

Okay. So one more we should talk about and this is the Komisarchik and White paper. And you're familiar with this paper, sir?

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- What was the process they used in this case? Q.
 - So one of the big -- one of the big fights, which I'm sure everyone in this room is aware of, is this fight over preclearance, right; and so whether states would have to go get preclearance from the federal government in order to change voting rules and that came out of like all this bad stuff that happened in the sixties and so on.

And so what happened is in the Shelby decision, which again everybody knows, but in 2013 they said no more preclearance, right, so you don't need to go get the feds' approval to do these thing.

What this paper does is, it says, well, first they show that the end of preclearance led states to do the types of things that the experts on the other side would say increased

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voting casts, so they will do things like -- the two main things that they show is they show that these states responded by passing strict voter identification laws and also by attempting to sort of purge ineligible voters off of the registration list. Those are the two main things that they did.

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And so they show using a difference-in-differences approach, which we've talked about, same approach as Pons used, and they show what is the impact of this. The end of preclearance and the associated increase in expected voter costs, right, on turnout of groups that we might subpoena worry about and specifically they are looking at turnout of Hispanics and Blacks.

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- Q. I would like to show you page 12 of that study in Figure
- 2. Can you explain the charts that were presented? Before we
 - go on, I should make something clear. Has this study been
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- 18 A. No. This is a working paper with -- Ariel White is a
- 19 professor of political science at MIT and I believe her
- 20 co-author is I think at Rochester. And so it's not published.
- 21 It is -- according to the author's website, it's under revision
- 22 | for the journal. The way a publication works is you send it to
- a journal. Most of the time they say, "This is not good enough
- 24 for us, take your study elsewhere. Sometimes they say, "Oh,
- 25 this is good but we want you to fix a few things. "And then you

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Can you explain the table, Figure 2 on the screen?

So, for example, if you look at -- you know, if you Α. look at the lower right corner, that is showing Hispanic voters turnout. So, again, what we have is we have treatment and 01:50:48 control groups and what we're going to do is we're going to look to see how turnout changes over time in both the treatment and control group. The treatment group in this case is going to be the dotted line. And those are the states where they were under preclearance so they were restricted from doing stuff.

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And then preclearance got ended so their world changed a little bit and they responded by passing strict voter ID laws and, you know, doing these purges of registration lists.

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And then the control group are all the other states so not every state was under preclearance. So those states were not impacted at all by the Shelby decision.

And so just gives you an idea of, like, how are things going to change over time anyway because things can change over time. We want to have a control group that. Gives us an idea of what that change would be.

So, again, if you want to assess the validity of diff-in-diff, you want to look at the left-hand side of that figure on the lower right. And, ideally, what you want to see

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is that those two lines are the same distance apart the whole time, to the left of that vertical line. And so when one goes up, the other goes up. When one goes down, the other goes down.

And if that's true, it gives us some degree of confidence that the assumption that we need for causality is likely to hold. And if you look at especially the lower right, that looks true. It also looks true if you look directly above it for Black turnout. They are tracking each other quite nicely and that's, again, called the parallel trends assumption.

And then what you see in the post period is this is what they are going to -- what they are going to estimate, the treatment effect is, do we see that gap close or not? If we look at the upper right, in general, what you see is, yeah, there was this little gap between but actually the preclearance Black voters were a little bit more likely to vote. So that gap, they closed that gap a little bit.

And so ultimately, you know, if you look at that upper right corner, the authors are going to estimate that there was this I think it's roughly a two percentage point increase in Black turnout in the states that passed these additional burdens, right, in the states that passed these other additional laws compared to the other states.

The same thing is true if you look at Hispanic

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voters, lower right, you have a much smaller gap on these lines on the right than you have on the left. In other words, the voters that were subject to preclearance or that were no longer subject to preclearance, voters in those states, they close some of the gap.

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And so, again, the experts on the other side would have you believe that every time you have this thing that increases voting casts, you're going to reduce voting. We've now seen a few examples where, like, the reality of it is when you study this thing and you use good designs, you're actually finding in some cases zero like the Pons paper.

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In this case you are finding a positive effect and I think that is because in the real world, these things come with lots of things. They -- maybe they make people upset. Maybe they make people feel better about election integrity. There's a lot of potential mechanisms why people may be more likely to turn out as a result of this sort of thing but they are finding that and here they are finding it for minority groups.

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Q. So one more image on this. We're going to look at page 16 of the same study. Is this showing confidence intervals?

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A. Yes. So this is showing the resulting estimates. So, again, as long as you believe that parallel trends assumption, which seems reasonable given that the difference seemed constant before the law was changed. This is estimating the impact impacting the end of that preclearance on turnout and so

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for Hispanics, what you see is they are estimating a statistically significant increase in turnout among Hispanic voters.

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If you look at Black voters, you see also a positive increase and that confidence interval sort of barely overlaps zero, so it's probably marginally significant we would say, between the five and ten percent level.

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Q. Is it your view that this study can speak to the question of causation?

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A. Yes. So again, you know, this difference-in-differences method, this is one of the three methods that we teach in the first year econometrics course when we teach people how to do good research for the observational data. And, again, in this case, it was executed well because they -- they are looking at pre-trends. They are showing that pre-trends seemed to be parallel before the law was changed. And then the outcome is

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If we're doing research right, we shouldn't care

about the outcome. In this case the outcome is in the interest for this lawsuit but the outcome is Hispanic and Black voters were more likely to vote when they were in these states that had previously been subject to preclearance.

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Q. I want to be precise about what action may be causing this effect.

Is it your view that it's fair to say that these

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prove that just the passage of the law standing alone causes this effect or that it's more complicated?

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A. What they are going to pick up is the net effect of the law and everything that comes with the law and so to the extent when you pass a law, it makes voters upset, Black and Hispanic voters upset, maybe because you have people out there yelling voter suppression, that might be one reason why they are more likely to vote.

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Another reason might be when you pass these laws, people feel better about election integrity and, therefore, they are more likely to vote. That would be another explanation.

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It could be that there's, you know, these mobilization responses from campaigns. You know, they respond either just saying, oh, by the way, there's a law and we are wondering if you are more likely to vote, so maybe now you're more likely to vote than you would have been or maybe part of it is to shout about voter suppression and maybe it does and there can be a bunch of other things but those are some examples.

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Q. So far we've talked about randomized control experiments.

We've talked about and diff-in-diff. I want to return to regression discontinuity. What does that mean?

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A. So regression discontinuity is, again, another way of trying to get at causal relationships. So for regression

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discontinuity method, the idea is that there's some variable.

There's some metric that determines what we would call

treatment. And so -- would you like me to discuss it in the

context of voting or something else?

- Q. Certainly we need to get to voting in a moment. But I believe you've got a study about the economic benefits of education. Maybe describe it just briefly to illustrate the concept of regression discontinuity.
- A. So first project I ever published was on the returns to going to a more selective school. So if you go to, you know, University of X versus X State University, do you earn more as a result of that? Does it cause you to earn more?

And that question is hard to answer because you have -- different people get into those schools; right? And even conditional on getting in, maybe the really ambitious people go to the more selective school or there's -- there could be lots of differences between the types of people who go to more versus less selective universities.

And so the approach that I took was to use this regression discontinuity and I got administrative data from a large flagship state university and I identified the people who were just above the admission threshold, so you applied and you barely got in, right, and so you now have the option of going there.

I applied, I just fell short and so you and I have
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otherwise maybe similar abilities. I'll compliment myself, right. So you and I have otherwise similar abilities. But you happened to get lucky. You landed on the right side of the cutoff. I landed on the wrong side of the cutoff. And of course we do this with lots of people. And the idea is, you know, that, essentially, it's random within that small area around that threshold, it's random whether you got in or not.

And then we look at your earnings years later and it turns out that people who barely got across earn about 20 percent more than people who just fall short.

And that's the idea of a regression discontinuity. You're comparing you think otherwise similar people. Some of them happen to land on one side of the threshold. Some happen to land on the other side of the threshold but otherwise we expect these guys would have been similar and we compare their outcomes.

- Q. Has anyone applied this sort of method to the question of whether voting costs reduce turnout?
- A. Yeah. There's a paper in *Science Advances* that looks at this and specifically they are looking at data in Texas and Arizona -- not Arizona, Texas and Indiana. And one thing that is unique about Texas and Indiana is that once you turn 65 years old, you don't have to have an excuse to vote absentee.

So it's basically automatic if you ask for it, they give it to you. Before you're 65, I'm going to forget the

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rules in Indiana but, for example, in Texas you have to prove that you're not going to be in the state during any of the times that the polls are open. I think if you give birth within a certain time which isn't applying to old people probably. And there's a few other -- if you're out of the country. There's a few exceptions but mostly it's pretty hard to get an absentee ballot in Texas when you're 64 whereas once you turn 65, it's pretty easy.

And so the idea of the paper is to compare both methods of voting across that threshold and say, hey, do people take advantage that, hey, now you can vote by mail. You don't even have to go to the polls?

And they look at this, including in 2020 when you might think that's a really big deal, right, to not to have to go into a public place in the middle of a pandemic to vote.

That's a pretty big deal.

Q. And what did they find when they applied that method?

A. Yeah. So what they find is you reduce voting costs a lot to age 65. It changed how people vote. You did see this spike in absentee voting but it didn't change overrule turnout. And you can this, the nice thing -- I promised you pretty pictures. So the nice thing about regression discontinuity is you can assess it visually. Honestly, I think anyone in this room can assess it visually and basically see where the result's coming from.

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So we've pulled up on page three of the study Q. Okay. Talk us through the images here, please.

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So if you look at the left-hand side, either the upper left or the lower left which shows Texas and Indiana. You know, this shows the share of votes cast that are cast absentee and what you see is, sure enough, at age 65 when the states make it much easier for you to vote absentee, you see people take up the state on that. Like people are -- people are choosing this method; right?

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And then the question for assessing the empirical impacts of changes in voting costs on turnout, or another way to think about it would be does the inability to vote absentee, is that such a burden that it keeps some people from voting at all? And the way they do that is by then testing do I see a discontinuity in turnout that is the likelihood that you vote with any method at age 65?

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And if voting costs matter a lot, if voting costs of know the transcript can't pick up the hands but you want to see a jump much like you do on the left-hand side.

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going to the polls including in the middle of a pandemic are, like, such a large cost that they prevent people from voting, we should see a jump, we should see a discontinuity; right? I

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And if you look at the right-hand side, all of you visually can see -- I mean, you would have to squint really hard to try to argue that there's a jump there at age 65.

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looks pretty smooth. And so the authors conclude there's no evidence that this change in voting costs changes turnout.

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Q. Have any of the experts in this case on the plaintiffs' side authored studies on whether voter ID has a discernible effect on voter turnout?

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A. Yes. So Professor Minnite wrote a study on this on voter identification laws. She criticized another paper that claimed to find effects on turnout and, broadly speaking, I think it's fair to say Professor Minnite concluded that the literature on that was inconclusive, that she didn't think that there was evidence that these voter ID laws impacted things one way or the other.

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- Q. Are you familiar with Professor Hersh?
- A. I am familiar with Professor Hersh.

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Q. Does he have a publication on the same question?

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A. So I'm not -- so it's been a while since I've looked at that paper but, in general, he has a paper with I think someone from Stanford where they are arguing that they think that most of these voting laws seem to have not much of an effect.

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Q. Let's think about -- we've talked about ethnic groups and how it may affect them. Let's think about income disparities, though, whether increasing the costs of voting has a disproportionate effect on low-income voters. Did you consider whether they may be more vulnerable to proof of citizenship requirement than others?

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A. Yeah. So I both looked through the evidence. Now I	02:04:38	
believe it's mostly Professor Burch who is making this argument		
in her report. I both looked at the papers that Professor		
Burch cited in support and evaluated those and I also found two		
I believe credible papers on this topic.	02:04:54	
Q. Okay. You've we've already talked about the Medicaid		
paper. Let's not rehash that in detail, but what does that		
suggest about income effects to DPOC requirements?		
A. Certainly the thing about Medicaid is you're only eligible		
for Medicaid if you're poor. So the only people who are in	02:05:11	
that study, the only people who could be impacted are people		
who are eligible for Medicaid and that means you're really low		
income. You're not just low income, you're really low income.		
And, obviously, there they found no evidence that requiring		
people on Medicaid to prove citizenship had any impact on	02:05:26	
enrollment or staying on Medicaid.		
Q. Did you look at a study that concerned local economic		
shocks?		
A. Yeah. So there's another study. And so, again, the		
question would be, you know, if Professor Burch were right,	02:05:46	
then when we, you know, impose, say, a negative economic shock		
on an area, the voting cost theory would say, well, maybe those		
people would be are now less likely to be able to vote.		
Maybe you would see turnout go down; right?		

So the way that they study this is they look -- for

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example, you have some regions that might have a big furniture industry and maybe you have some regions that might have a big automotive industry and so suppose that what happened around 2000, right, so all of a sudden a lot of furniture started getting built, manufactured in Asia and it became pretty hard for these U.S. furniture firms to compete with that.

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And so there's this big negative shock but it's focused on these areas where there's a big furniture industry.

And so what they do is they compare changes in turnout in those areas to changes in turnout in other areas that have other industries and they say, well, if income really matters, if resources really matter to overcome the cost of voting, we should see this place with a negative shock. We should see them become less likely to vote.

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And the same -- the inverse would be true for the positive shocks.

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Q. And what do they find?

A. Yeah. So they found the opposite. So they found when you had a positive shock, you were actually less likely to shock.

When you had a negative economic shock, when things got worse, people became more likely to vote. And, again, like it's not explicitly randomization but the point is that you have these international trends, like all of a sudden China starts producing furniture so it's going to have this bigger impact in one group, one area than another. And it's an accepted

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research design to get at causality and, again, they are finding literally exactly the opposite of what Professor Burch would have you believe.

Q. One more study that you relied on regarding economic -effect on low-income voters something about a Spanish lottery;
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A. Right.

- Q. What is that study?
- A. Yeah. So one way, you know, one way social scientists have gotten at the impact of income, the impact of resources on outcomes, including voting, is by exploiting lottery shocks.

 There's -- I'm going to forget the details about the Spanish lottery but there's sort of oddities of the Spanish lottery that make it so that everybody in the village kind of collectively buys tickets so everybody in a town. They are all in on the same lottery ticket which is, like, different, right. It's individual here.

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In Spain I think it's because they made the price of the tickets really expensive. The way it works is they are basically all in and they call it like the Christmas lottery so people who will buy these tickets.

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But the impact of that is when you win, and I think
my recollection is they might win two or three percent of the
GDP. It's, like, quite a lot. And so what these authors do is
they look at, okay, what happens when places -- what happens to

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voting in places where they win where they get this money showered upon them which in theory could help them overcome the costs of voting versus another village that played but didn't win. And of course the nice thing about the lottery is it's random, right, so some win by chance, some don't win by chance.

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And they found no effect of these really big local economic shocks which, again, is like inconsistent with what Professor Burch would have you believe.

The Spanish lottery so it's really a foreign election system, though; right?

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- Yeah. So, I mean, they are people and they have elections but it is in Spain. It's not in the U.S.
- 13 Right. Okay, so in comparison to those studies that you were looking at in forming your opinion, what did you -- what 14 15 did you -- let me put it is this way: Did you review the 16 studies on which Professor Burch relied for the idea of

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- And did you look at her study from Brodkin? Q.
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- And let's pull that up and have you discuss this. was going on in the study from Professor Burch?
 - So what they are trying to say is essentially do Α. these -- does the red tape around -- I guess this is claiming welfare. Does the red tape associated with claiming welfare

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the fact that you have to fill out forms and this sort of thing, does that have a bigger effect on low-income people versus on higher-income people? And that is -- it's a reasonable question, right. It would be directly relevant for this.

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The problem is, like, the paper is done really badly and what they did is, they had a data set where they only looked at people who left welfare and then they classified the reasons into one of two groups. They said either you leave welfare for procedural reasons, which is that you didn't file the right form or you didn't do something that you were supposed to do, or nonprocedural reasons, which is basically you made too much money; right?

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And then what they did is they compared conditional on leaving, they compared across income levels and they said aha, the low-income people conditional on leaving were more likely to leave for a procedural reason. That's mechanical. They are not going to leave because they got too much money because you -- they are literally low income.

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So the only answer that study ever could have gotten is the answer they came to which is, like, not how do you research. There's a right way to do this study, which would be, okay, we have some costs that get imposed on some people and not on other people. And then let's see what the effect is on higher-income and lower-income people and do they leave?

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That's the way you would do that study. But they don't do that because they are only looking at leavers.

Q. So help me understand that. Among the people who are leaving, some leave for procedural reasons. I'll call it paperwork -- that may be inaccurate shorthand -- and others leave for substantive reasons. Why is it that -- why is this a mechanical result within that group?

A. Yeah. The reason is because if you're low income, by definition, you're not going to leave for nonprocedural reasons because you're low income. You didn't earn too much for welfare. You're low income.

On the other hand, if you're higher income, there's two ways for you to have left; right? One is you didn't do the paperwork, and the other is you made too much money. So it is always going to be true that the fraction of higher income people who left, conditional on leaving, it's always going to be true that they were more likely to leave for income-related reasons than this other group, than the low-income people.

It's not a test of whether -- I mean, it's -- literally it's -- I don't know -- it's bizarre.

- Q. Let's -- in thinking about the economic disparities of voter ID, did you consider the economics, the socioeconomic status of naturalized citizens?
- A. Yeah. So one of the things that had to be pointed out is obviously these federal-only voters, they are going to be the

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ones who have to prove -- prove citizenship, right. And so if 02:13:19 you were to believe -- and I don't think there's good evidence for it but if you were to believe, well, maybe those people are low income and they are not going to be able to do this as Well, it turns out like naturalized citizens do pretty well. well.

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And so -- I have a table in my report where I compare, you know, citizens by birth in Arizona to naturalized citizens and they are not crazy different. But basically on almost every measure, the naturalized citizens are higher SES. They are higher income, better educated. They look different That's not surprising. But they are, in general, on race. they are more advantaged than citizens by birth.

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And the citizens by birth column in your table, is that just low-income citizens by birth or all citizens in Arizona?

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- That's all citizens in Arizona. Α.
 - Let's talk now about the idea that negative interactions with the Government through maintenance processes may discourage voters from participating. You're familiar with the arguments made by the plaintiffs on that issue?

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- And you looked at several studies on this issue as well? Q.
- I certainly looked at those studies and I think I did. there's one in particular that they failed to mention that is especially related.

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Q. All right. Tell us the method that Biggers and Smith used in their research.

A. Yeah. So Biggers and Smith, again, are going to use this difference-in-differences so they are going to look at changes in voting over time and they are going to take seriously this assumption that you need to hold, this common trends, and they do it a little bit differently here but they do it well. They are doing smart things.

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The question they are attempting to answer is when Florida announced that they were going to go and essentially try to ensure that people were citizens, they went and had a target list of people and then some subset of those, they actually sent them letters saying you're going to need to prove citizenship and if you don't, you might lose the right to vote and so on and so forth; right? So they got this kind of threatening letter.

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So then a big chunk of those people actually can go

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cost; right? And then later on the state, because there are

through and prove citizenship so they incurred that voting

lawsuits over all of these things forever; right? Due to the

lawsuit, the state retracted that and they sent them another

letter and said, more or less, just kidding. You guys can all

vote.

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Did everyone get the letter or just the ones who had Q. responded with the proof?

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- Α. Everyone got the letter I believe, yeah.
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And so then what they do is they say, well, you know, you made these people incur a cost and they might have viewed this as a negative interaction. I wasn't here for McDonald's testimony but in his report he would have you believe that when you have this negative interaction with law enforcement, that's going to deter you from voting. You will be less likely to vote. So they test that. Right. So in theory that could be

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true. Let's test it.

It turns out to be the case that those people were more likely to vote. And so, again, it suggests that there's -- there are these other things that happen when you pass these policies, when you do those things, and they tend to have kind of the opposite effect that -- sometimes zero but sometimes the opposite effect of what the experts on the other side would have you believe.

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And then they go through again and they worry about, well, maybe, you know, essentially they worry about that assumption for difference-in-differences and it looks good. I

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Let's think now about those studies on which Professor

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McDonald relies. That negative interaction will discourage

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A. Correct. I remember.

Q. And what was -- do you believe that Professor Burch's study supports Professor McDonald's assertion?

A. The short answer is no, it did not and I don't think it should be controversial that it does not. Professor McDonald's assertion is that if you have this negative interaction with law enforcement types, it causes you to be less likely to vote. That's the assertion.

Professor Burch doesn't attempt to answer that causal question at all. So she has a paper where she's basically saying how often do felons vote compared to other people. It's a descriptive question. There are lots of differences between felons and other people, right, and so you wouldn't want to attribute whatever the difference is only to the fact that they had this negative interaction with law enforcement.

Different people commit crimes and don't commit crimes. So they didn't make any causal claims in that paper. She didn't have a design to get at causality in that paper and yet Professor McDonald is citing that as evidence of this causal assertion which is wrong. It's bad. He shouldn't do it.

Q. Professor McDonald also looked at a paper written by a Weaver and Lerman, L-U-H-R-M-A-N I think.

Did he look at such a paper, sir?

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So that paper, you know, again, struggles with this issue and if you read it carefully, like, they acknowledge the people -- they are looking at people I believe who were arrested, charged, and perhaps convicted I believe were the three different groups and then they are looking at voting outcomes of those people compared to others.

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And those authors are obviously aware of the problem that these two groups can be different in lots of ways. We have a correlation that that is now a causation issue and they try to do some things but they don't -- I mean, they don't have a good design. They don't have -- you know, they don't have the equivalent of a regression discontinuity. They don't have something that comes close to a randomized control trial. ultimately, and I think even the authors acknowledge if you read the paper they will say yeah, there are things here that

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we can't control for that could be problems for us and we can't do it.

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The third paper that Professor McDonald relied on Ben-Menecham. I think it's B-E-N, hyphen, M-E-N-E-C-H-A-M.

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- And what was the design of the study?
- So in that study they are looking at the impact of traffic citations from police on voting. And I believe as near as I

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can tell, that study is better. That study is pretty good.

And so, you know, I think a fair characterization of it is for whatever reason, when you give people traffic tickets, they are a little bit less likely to turn out as a result of that.

Notably they are not looking at a voting-related thing at all.

It's a traffic citation. It has nothing to do with voting.

And the other thing is, like most of us who get traffic citations, we actually did something wrong. We were speeding, went through a red light or whatever it is.

If you think about those federal-only voters that you're worried about, we're talking about people who are maybe citizens who just have to prove documentation. It's not getting at that question because those people are just, you know -- it's much closer to the Biggers and Smith article than it is to this one.

THE COURT: So is it just kind of a curiosity that people who have gotten traffic citations are less likely to vote?

THE WITNESS: So --

THE COURT: Is there some conclusion as to why or is it just isn't this interesting that these things appear to be totally unrelated?

THE WITNESS: Welcome to academia. I think what the authors would say is they would say, well, we know that some groups have much more interaction with law enforcement than

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MR. LANGHOFER: And why don't we go to page 17 of

Let's start with what is the question that Reny was trying

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Let's talk about this.

these papers. I'm having a hard time remembering this particular one. I apologize for that.

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Q. Don't apologize. I'm taking you back to the first page, the abstract. Let me know if you need more time to read that.

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We're going to flip forward to page 17. I would like you Q. to describe the research model that they were using in this paper.

Α. Yes. So the way -- you know, the way that Professor -- it just has background. The way that Professor Burch is citing this paper is she's saying that this paper is finding evidence on the impact of threat of immigration crackdowns I believe is the language that Professor Burch used which is characterizing this paper.

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And specifically the effect of that on voting and you think broadly, okay, you could have a study on the impact of the threat of immigration crackdowns or the impact of immigration crackdowns on voting. You might imagine, well, over here you have crackdowns, over there you don't and now we compare and maybe a difference-in-differences framework and we

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see what the effect is. That's actually not what the paper does. It doesn't do anything close to that. So instead, what the paper does is -- what do they 02:24:13

call it? This is like academic speak. Let me get the term right. Essentially they don't have variation in immigration

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crackdowns. So what they have is what's highlighted.

So, you know, in the first model they say, well, we think there's a bigger threat to Hispanics later as we get closer to the election versus farther away which is, like, kind of wild, like, why is there a bigger threat closer to the election versus, like, farther away from the election? That's not what I would think of when I think of the threat of an immigration crackdown, is proximity to the election. That's the first way they define it.

The second way they define it is whether the state has a competitive Senate race in 2018 and, again, that is not what I would think of when I think of the threat of an immigration crackdown, is my Senate race competitive or is it not? But that is exactly how they are doing it.

The third thing is, they have a visit for whether Trump came because I don't know. Like whether Trump visited the state is a threat of an immigration crackdown? That doesn't make sense either.

The fourth thing, they operationalize threat as whether the state had unified Republican control of Government.

Again, like that's -- I mean, to interpret that as the threat of immigration crackdown is like a little wild.

And then the last thing, they have one more where they are actually classifying some immigration laws. But that's broadly what the paper actually does that Professor

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Burch is citing as support for his hypothesis, that threat of immigration crackdowns is going to, you know, scare off Hispanic voters. Yeah, go ahead.

In your mind, does the Reny study support the idea that negative interactions with the Government deter voting?

Α. No.

Q. Professor Burch had one more study on this negative interaction problem and that was by Terry (phonetic) concerning a fear of responding to the census. Are you familiar with that study?

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- Can you tell us about what was going on in that research? Q.
 - So in that research there, you know, they are basically just asking -- they're asking people questions and trying to figure out, you know, what are they worried about.

And Professor Burch sort of incorrectly says that both Black and Hispanic people are failing to respond because they are scared about deportation, like the article doesn't say anything about Black people worrying about deportation. would be kind of odd. It's only about Hispanics.

And the other issue is that Burch is trying to make this argument that even -- even people who are citizens might be intimidated by this and might have this fear that causes them to be less likely to vote out. But in the article they are actually not splitting -- they are not splitting up

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Hispanics by citizens versus not.

So when the article talks about yeah, there's Hispanics who are a little bit scared to answer some questions because of fear of deportation, it's not -- they are not talking about Hispanic citizens. They are talking about of Hispanics period. And, of course, undocumented Hispanics might well be worried about being deported because they are undocumented.

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Q. All right. Let's turn our attention to really a new topic

and that's unlawful voting. Also sometimes called voter fraud.

- You're familiar with Professor Minnite's report on this issue?
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- Q. And you have a couple of criticisms of her report I think.

 Let's start with the definitional concern.
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- 16 Q. What is your view there?
 - A. Yes. So, I mean, as I see it, and, frankly, as some others see it, there's two problems with her definition. One is that -- and perhaps the most important problem is that it requires criminal intent. So if somebody you know votes as a non-citizen but they did it without criminal intent, she won't count it.

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And that might well be true, that in order to charge something, that you need to have evidence of criminal intent.

But if -- in her own report, she cites these quotes from

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legislators who don't specifically talk about that in the quotes. They just say, well, we have these people who are voting and we have never verified that they are citizens and we would like to verify that they are citizens before they vote.

So the state can have an interest in keeping people from voting as non-citizens even if those people didn't have the intent to, you know, corrupt the system, for example.

That's the first issue.

- Q. Her definition she also makes a distinction between unlawful voting by an individual or third parties being responsible for this. Do you have a view on that part of her definition?
- A. Yeah. And again my view here is echoed by -- like, frankly, by some of the same authors that she cites in her report which is that -- I don't know why we are only interested in measures of fraud that happened from voters as opposed to, like, third parties, like political parties or, you know, or these different campaign organizations.

And if any fraud had been perpetrated by those groups, like, she's not going to count it in her definition.

And so it's an unnecessarily narrow definition of voter fraud in my view.

- Q. Sir, you are not opining about the incidence of voter fraud in the state, are you?
- A. No. I don't know what it is.

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Q. You do have some views, though, on the ease or not of measuring the incidence, don't you?

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A. Sure. So one of the issues -- and it's not recognized at all. I wasn't here for her testimony but it wasn't recognized at all in her report, which is that when you are trying to measure cheating or corruption, like, the people a cheating and being corrupt don't usually like to be caught. And so it's a little bit hard sometimes to figure out how much is going on because those people don't like to be caught.

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And that is a -- I mean, it's acknowledged maybe not universally in the literature but in most of these studies that test for it, they acknowledge it, like, hey, that's hard.

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And Professor Minnite doesn't acknowledge that at all and yet, I mean, you study corruption, like, this is a big issue. Are you sure you can measure it? And are you sure that you can measure the type that's -- that you want to measure.

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Q. There are some ways of measuring corruption, right?

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A. So certainly these authors of some of these studies that

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find evidence of it. Maybe you don't. But I think when you

report the results of that or in her case, when you interpret

this, it ought to be interpreted with humility that I have a

particular test for a particular form of fraud and not take

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that and say, therefore, I know for sure there's no fraud.

It's just not a principled stand to take on this type of issue given the known difficulty of measuring it.

Q. Have you looked into whether other academic reviews of the incidents at which fraud is -- excuse me, not fraud, crime is detected?

A. Yeah. So, you know, one of the -- arguably the primary source of evidence that Professor Minnite is citing in her report is that there are relatively view prosecutions and convictions for voter fraud. And obviously the first thing is, we have this -- you know, she's using this unnecessarily narrow definition in the two ways that I talked about.

But then the other issue is that it can be hard to detect these things and it can be hard to -- especially for fraud, you have to prove intent. It has been hard to prosecute these things. It can be hard to put together everything.

I don't know what fraction of fraud incidents get prosecuted because I don't know how much fraud there is; but when you look at other crimes, for example, if you look at property crimes, it turns out that only seven percent of reported property crimes are reported and prosecuted by police.

And so that's a case where we have a known victim and where there's usually some incentive to report the crime. Like if I want my stuff back, I've got to report it.

And even in those cases, like, it's only 6.7 percent

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does, out of these 10,000 students there are exactly zero prosecutions in the university system. There are none of those 10,000 students were ever prosecuted, you know, much less convicted or penalized for cheating.

And I think it would be a really bad mistake to look at it and say, well, therefore, there must not have been any

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cheating by any of those 10,000 students on any of those exams or any of those assignments. Like I was there. Like I sit there and I watch kids. I'm sure some of them cheat. I'm just not sure I can prove it and I'm not sure it's worth the hassle of prosecuting it. And so as a result, nobody does that.

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And so, again, this idea is like just because you don't have prosecutions doesn't mean the underlying behavior doesn't exist. Maybe it doesn't exist or maybe it exists and you don't detect it.

And I think that's the prudent view on this thing.

MR. LANGHOFER: Just one more topic Your Honor, voter confidence. I would like to keep powering on. So I know you like a 2:30 break.

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MR. LANGHOFER: Thank you, Your Honor.

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Q. So, Professor, you're familiar with the ideas presented by the plaintiffs on the potential effect on voter confidence of these laws?

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- A. Yes. Professor Minnite in particular I think made strong statements about this.
- Q. And have you reviewed surveys on public confidence in the electoral process?
- A. I have.

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A. Yeah. So in general, to my knowledge, there's no survey specific to Arizona. But there are a couple of different national surveys that ask people essentially how much fraud do you think there is and fraud of different types.

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And, for example, if we take those numbers and impose those numbers on Arizona, which I think is arguably conservative for reasons we can talk about, you know, what you get is you get I think 700,000 registered voters in Arizona believe that -- believe that non-citizen voting is very common, so that's 700,000 people out of roughly 4.2 million registered voters in Arizona.

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If you look at how many think there's a great deal of election fraud, that number is about 1.5 million out of the 4.2 million registered voters. So it's clear there's -- I mean for better or worse, there's a lot of people in Arizona who think there's a problem.

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And one potential benefit of these laws could be to help persuade them that the State is taking, you know, precautions to make it harder to do those things and hopefully improve perceptions.

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Q. These numbers you just gave, those do assume that the rate of voter confidence or lack of confidence in Arizona tracks the national survey; right?

That's right. And so the reason I said I think that's

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conservative, because clearly there was political support for passing these laws in Arizona and, you know, in general, I think the way -- politicians don't tend to do things that their constituents don't like.

And so what that tells you is there is some popular support for these sorts of things which, if anything, I think suggest -- means that Arizonans are probably more worried about this than the average voter in U.S. but that's -- you know, I think that's why I would view it as conservative.

- Q. Have you looked at any academic research on whether election integrity measures have an effect on voter confidence?
- A. Yeah. I have. So, for example, the Pons paper that we studied earlier didn't find any effects on voter confidence of these voter ID laws and we can talk about that.

The best evidence that these things could possibly matter would be this study by Endres and co-author and, again, this is using that same experiment so it's sending out fliers to a random set of people and the fliers will flag that, by the way, there's a voter identification law in your state and the control group will just get a flier that says, oh, by the way there's an election; right.

And what they did is they followed up with a survey and asked how much faith do you have in election integrity.

So, again, the idea is not all these people were aware of what the law was or at least it wasn't in the top of their minds.

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By sending them this flier, they moved it to the top of their 02:39:30 They made people aware that there's this safeguard in place against -- in this case it's really voter impersonation and they looked at -- they look at these measures of confidence in election integrity and they find evidence, you know, here 02:39:47 that essentially those -- knowledge of those restrictions improved perceptions of integrity. I see that -- I put on the screen the Endres and Panagopoulas study. Do they find a very strong effect on voter confidence? 02:40:12 My recollection is I know there was a couple percentage points but I'm not sure I'm going to remember exactly. So I don't know if you characterize one, two, three, percentage points as big or not. It's not double digits? 02:40:24 Ο. It's not double digits, yeah. Α. I see that I have missed a section of my outline so I said Ο. one more topic but there's actually now one more. I want to talk about administrative data. And there's been some concern expressed about whether databases used by the Government to 02:40:39 perform their duties is sufficiently reliable. In the academic community, what is the view of the reliability of administrative data? The view is it's the best you're ever going to get.

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it's really good. So typically the -- you know, the

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alternative is to use surveys where you're asking people questions and you're relying on them to tell you the truth.

And in certain contexts, we might worry about that or we might worry about whether people can remember. In some cases, that's the best you're ever going to do. For example, voter confidence, that's probably the best you're going to do.

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But in general, like, years ago all of these famous economists, including David Card, who won a Noble Prize a couple years ago, wrote this open letter to the federal government saying please make administrative data available to more researchers because this is so much better than everything else that you can do with data sets out there that we can answer questions that you wouldn't be able to answer. Like this is literally, like, it sets the bar for data quality.

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And that is -- and I think that's true also in McDonald's work, for example, and we can talk about that if you would like.

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Q. Has Professor McDonald relied on administrative data in his own written publications?

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A. Yeah. He has. He cites I think seven papers in these top two political science journals. I think four or five of them, five of them I think use administrative data on voting. It's clear it's obviously good enough to publish in the very best political science journals. He has a project on comparing voter turnout from administrative data to these post-election

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surveys on turnout. And so they ask you after the election, like, "Did you vote?" And it turns out, it seems like people lie. They overestimate. They overstate how often they voted.

And when you look at Professor McDonald's paper on that, he doesn't say, oh, the administrative data must be wrong. Like because people are saying they voted and yet it looks like we don't have enough votes cast. He's saying, no.

No. No. The administrative data are actual turnout. He actually calls it actual voting or actual turnout and yet what people are saying doesn't track that.

And so what is explaining that? What is explaining the problem is the point of the paper. But implicit in that is this acknowledgment that administrative data are, you know -- you know, set the bar for data quality for social science research.

Q. And while we're talking about data, Professor McDonald prepared a couple of tables, Tables 4 and 5 in his report, that talk about the demographics of voters who were -- well, statewide residence and then different categories of voters.

Do you recall those tables?

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- Q. And you expressed some concern about the way those tables were organized?
- A. Yes.
 - Q. Can you explain to us your view there?

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So there's two things. One is on inferring Α. Yeah. 02:43:31 discrimination, which I assume we'll get to that in a minute; and the other on -- you know, there's some ambiguity. So the trouble is, when you look at these groups, federal-only voters, suspended, those voters whose citizenship has been suspended or 02:43:44 canceled, what Professor McDonald is doing is comparing those to active registered voters in Arizona.

And that is going to be the right comparison if you believe that everybody in each of those three groups is a That's arguably the right benchmark. The problem is, like, we don't know -- like he doesn't know, I don't know whether all of these people in those three groups are actually U.S. citizens.

And so, you know, on the other extreme, if all of those people were non-citizens, then it would be inappropriate to be comparing them to actively registered voters. Instead, it would be appropriate to compare them to the Arizona population.

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- You prepared some tables to that effect? Q.
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- I'm going to show you on the screen what's been marked as Exhibit 907. What are we looking at here, sir?
- Α. So we might be mixed up in the order of what we're talking 02:44:45

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Q. I think we are. You say we. Charitably, I think 908 is where we should begin.

A. Yeah. So the sort of grayed out is what Professor McDonald is showing the actively registered. And so essentially, you know, if you were to do it the way he's doing it, which is right, if you believe all of these people in those three groups are citizens, then what you get is, well, you get there's some evidence of the people who are likely to be disproportionately impacted are more likely to be Hispanic, more likely to be Black and so on.

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But of course we don't know whether all of those people are citizens or not. And to the extent they are not, we want to move toward looking at Arizona population. And if you look at the population of Arizona, which is in that first row, what you see is that things like roughly proportionate, that we're seeing essentially, you know, a similar proportion of Black people, Hispanics, non-Hispanic Whites in these three categories, the federal-only voters, suspended citizenship, canceled citizenship. You're seeing it roughly tracks the Arizona population.

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he's making that is going to, you know, make it look like there's this disproportional effect, but implicit in that is an

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assumption that all of these people are citizens and that's --

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you don't know that that's true.

Q. All right. Let's go back now to Exhibit 907. I think it's now ripe to discuss this one.

A. Yeah. So the other issue is, you know, he's making this argument that when -- you know that because -- well, let me back up.

My understanding is one of the claims in this case is that -- is whether or not there was discriminatory intent on the part of the legislature; right? Did they intend to discriminate against minority voters? And so then one relevant question is, well, let's look at the people who are arguably impacted by this. And so what I'm pointing out in this table is essential. It's a reproduction of his table but I'm also computing the number of non-Hispanic Whites and the number of minorities which is in columns three and five.

And so what you see is that you actually have, you know, more White people, 10,361, than you have minorities who are going to be impacted by this.

And so if you want to believe that there's discriminatory intent and that's, like, I guess your call, right; but if you want to believe that, you would have to believe that that discriminatory legislature is willing to sort of harm or disenfranchise more White people than non-White people. And that's an odd model of discrimination to have in the context of voting but that's what you would have to

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numbers and in column three what we have is, well, what would we expect if things were proportionate to the Arizona population? And what that shows is those two numbers are really similar to each other.

So his choice of benchmark is, like, super meaningful and it's based on this assumption that all of those people in those groups are citizens.

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THE COURT: That doesn't mean that three different people are going to object and cross and --

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And so one of the papers that he cites it as the seminal paper on this topic. And if you read the title -- I'm not going to remember exactly the title but the title would have you believe that there is this causal relationship. And so I looked and I opened up the paper and literally in the abstract it says, you know, that we speculate -- something to

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the effect of we speculate that voting causes voting. And so literally the conclusion the causal claim in the seminal paper is, according to the authors in their own abstract, like speculation. There were additional papers as well.

So, for example, there are a couple of papers cited in support of that assertion by Professor McDonald, again, that voting causes voting and it matters for the reasons Kory laid out where they don't actually make that causal claim at all.

So, you know, they are not claiming that voting causes voting. They are documenting a correlation between voting in the last election and voting in this election. But they don't have a strategy for assessing whether that's a causal relationship or whether, you know, something else drives that correlation.

And then to my recollection, there was one other paper that was, frankly, the best design of the studies that he cited and this one -- I want to say it's by Gerber and some other co-authors. So what they did is they did an experiment and they looked and they had two elections one year. They had an experiment where in August they sent out people to canvass and they encouraged people to vote. And then they looked, okay, those people who we -- who had the interaction were more likely to vote in the fall election and then they looked in the following election one year later and found, again, that those people were more likely to vote.

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And so, you know, then what the authors do is they -in order to interpret that as voting causes voting, they impose
what econometricians call an exclusion restriction which is,
again, one of those big things that we teach in the very first
year of an econometrics course.

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And specifically what you need to believe to give that interpretation to that study is that the only effect that this canvassing had on voting 16 months later was through whether or not you voted in this election. So they are not allowing there to be, like, a persistent effect of, oh, I talked to you and I got you interested in politics and it's that interest in politics that caused you to vote this year and vote next year. They are assuming that away.

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And that is like -- to be fair, authors -- it's an older paper. It's 2005. They might not have known all of the pitfalls of imposing exclusion restrictions like hopefully they do now. But they shouldn't be making that assumption because obviously something today can impact voting a year and a half from now for reasons other than just whether it makes you vote this year.

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And yet that's what -- that's what they need to assume to get to this conclusion that voting causes voting and of course that's -- that's the best evidence that they cite.

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The authors in that same paper will also say, you know, it's an open question about the long-run effects because

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they are only looking 16 months out. And it's an open question 03:12:02 as to whether this would extend to other settings. And so they are properly sort of cautious. Professor McDonald is obviously not so cautious when he cites that as support for that hypothesis.

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- Professor, what is your opinion on the net effect that these laws will have on turnout in Arizona?
- I'm basing my opinion on these papers that we've gone through and looking at what the evidence is and I think overall, it's most likely you're probably going to see zero effect on turnout. And I think there's some chance that you might see an increase in turnout because after all, I think there's some credible papers out there that find evidence of an increase.

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- But the most likely outcome would be --15 Q.
- Would be zero effect would be my bet. 16 Α.
- 17 All right. Final thought. You've reviewed a paper from Q. 18 Pippa Norris at Harvard --
 - That's right. Α.

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-- about voter confidence? 20 Q.

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- That's right. 21 Α.
 - And you have a thought on her analysis? Q.
 - Yeah. So I think as you sit and you watch these types of Α. cases and these types of things and you watch politicians, one of the things that she points out is coming from the people,

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coming from people like President Trump, you have these unsubstantiated claims of massive voter fraud. And she points out, rightly, as does Professor Minnite, that these things are damaging to I think democracy, to perceptions of electoral integrity and, again, Minnite points that out and I think she's right to point that out. You ought not be making unsubstantiated claims about fraud.

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And on the other hand, Pippa Norris also would say the other challenge is on the other side, you have -- you know, you have people who use every opportunity, like every one of these laws that gets passed, they use it as an opportunity to accuse that side of being racist, discriminatory, you know, of attempting to suppress votes and so on.

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And I think Pippa Norris is correct in pointing out that, like, collectively, both of these things are damaging, like this is -- this is a bad world like we would -- we should get out of this world somehow. Like where you've got crazy claims on the right about, you know, unsubstantiated election of, you know, of racism and intent to suppress votes and so on. They are both damaging. are bad.

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fraud and on the left you've got mostly unsubstantiated claims And I think she's right to point out that both of these things

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MR. LANGHOFER: No more questions on direct, Your Thank you. Honor.

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THE COURT: And I misspoke. Yes, multiple

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1	cross-examination is permitted.	03:14:49
2	Nothing else from your side, I assume?	
3	MR. DODGE: We appreciate that clarification, Your	
4	Honor. We were getting nervous over there.	
5	THE COURT: I saw that you were getting nervous. I	03:14:59
6	thought I would correct my misstatement.	
7	MR. DODGE: As always, you are very perceptive, Your	
8	Honor.	
9	CROSS - EXAMINATION	
10	BY MR. DODGE:	03:15:12
11	Q. Christopher D. Dodge on behalf of the Mi Familia Vota	
12	Plaintiffs.	
13	Professor Hoekstra, as Yogi Berra would say, it's	
14	deja vu all over again. We keep finding ourself in this	
15	situation but it's good to be speaking with you again.	03:15:20
16	I'm going to ask you some questions mostly about your	
17	response to Dr. Minnite's report but also a little bit about	
18	your background and then my colleagues will address your other	
19	reports here.	
20	Your training is as an economist?	03:15:35
21	A. That's right.	
22	Q. And you don't have any degrees in political science?	
23	A. I do not have degrees in political science.	
24	Q. And you don't consider yourself to be a political	
25	scientist?	03:15:48
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Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 92 of 166 MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D. - Cross True. 03:15:49 Α. You don't consider yourself to be a historian? Α. That's true. Have you ever taught a course focused on political Q. science? 03:15:56 Not where that was the main focus, no. Q. Have you ever taught any courses on election administration? No. Certainly not a course on that. At most I would have Α. a paper or two on the syllabus. 03:16:08 Do you hold yourself out as an expert on the mechanics of election administration? I believe I'm an expert in evaluating evidence on what the impacts of -- what the impacts of changes in election administration and so on. 03:16:29 So you would say you're an expert in analyzing the impacts Q. of changes in election laws but not necessarily the nitty-gritty of election administration itself? I mean, I don't know exactly what you mean by nitty-gritty. 03:16:41 I think that may be a term that you used in your deposition if I recall.

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Certainly there are going to be aspects that people involved in elections are going to know a lot about and I'm

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going to know less about. But obviously there are	also data 03:16:56
issues that are involved in how do you interpret da	ta. And I
have been working with data for a long time and doi	ng it
successfully and I do believe I'm an expert there.	
Q. You never taught any courses on American elect	ions? 03:17:11
A. Correct.	
Q. Have you ever worked with or advised election	officials in
your professional capacity?	
A. No.	
Q. Have you ever interviewed an election official	as part of 03:17:20
your scholarship as an economics researcher?	
A. No.	
Q. Have you ever reviewed legislative committee h	earings or
debates in your scholarship?	
A. Not as part of my scholarship.	03:17:36
Q. You mentioned that you've written one paper on	the subject
of elections. Is that fair?	
A. That's correct.	
Q. That was published in an economic journal?	
A. That's right.	03:17:44

That journal is called Economic Letters?

That's correct. Α.

And that journal specializes in short-form papers?

That's right. You have to make the point very concisely for that journal.

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Q. Judge Bolton likes concise points. So the paper there	03:17:55
was just three pages long?	
A. Yeah. The final paper was three pages long. It was	
originally a full-length paper that we cut down for the	
purposes of submitting it to that journal.	03:18:08
Q. Do you know if that paper has been cited at all by	
political scientists?	
A. I don't know. I know it's been cited by the by the	
Vincent Pons paper. I noticed that when I was reading that	
paper the other day but, again, he's an economist who published	03:18:25
on voting. I don't know who the other citations are from.	
Q. Do you know if there are other citations?	
A. I think my Google color page said there are more than one,	
yeah. Some of them are of the working paper, so there's a	
working paper that was published in NBER and so there are	03:18:41
citations to that and also to the published version.	
Q. That paper did not analyze a proof of citizenship law.	
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A. That's correct.	

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That's correct.

And it didn't analyze the effects of laws governing the voter registration process?

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That's correct. Α.

You mentioned that you testified recently in another election law case in Texas. Did I get that right?

Α. You did.

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Q. And the name of that case was something like $Lupe\ v$.	03:19:13
Abbott?	
A. That sounds right.	
Q. Have you ever served as an expert in any other election	
law cases besides this one and the Lupe case in Texas?	03:19:22
A. No.	
Q. You mentioned in your testimony that the court there	
recognized you as an expert; right?	
A. That's right. I mean, the reports were accepted into	
evidence, for example, and we can talk about the one objection	03:19:39
that was sustained which I'm sure you're going to bring up.	
Q. The Court didn't recognize you as an expert in voter fraud	
in that case. Do you recall that?	
A. Yeah. I don't know exactly what the characterization was,	
Chris, but it was something about the discussion about	03:19:56
whether evidence of absence is or whether absence of	
evidence is evidence of absence. That part of my testimony was	
cut off.	
Q. To your knowledge, that court has not yet issued a final	
ruling in that case?	03:20:11

Yeah. I don't know. So I'm guessing not. It was just ended recently.

So it hasn't expressed any opinion yet on the credibility of your testimony there?

Not to my knowledge.

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Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 96 of 166 MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D. - Cross So fair to say no court as recognized you as an expert on Q. 03:20:27 voter fraud? I don't know what we mean by recognized as an expert. literally, they accepted my reports into evidence and I was allowed to testify all day long so I would have thought that 03:20:37 that contradicts your question. But maybe it's some term of art that I'm not familiar with. That's fair enough. Q. You don't consider yourself a scholar within the field of those scholars attempting to assess the incidents of 03:20:53 voter fraud. Is that fair to say? Am I a scholar within a field of scholars attempting to --Α. I don't know how to characterize it. I've written one paper that I think speaks directly to the maximum amount of one particular voter fraud that could be occurring and it's one 03:21:15 I haven't written ten but I have written one. I don't paper. know if that means I'm a scholar among scholars in your words or not but that's the precise answer.

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Did you know who Dr. Minnite was prior to being engaged in Q. this lawsuit?

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- You don't know what her reputation is within her field Q. when it comes to the issue of voter fraud?
- No, I don't. I haven't surveyed people about how do you Α. feel about this professor. I've looked at her CV and her short 03:21:50

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actually had retained you as an expert in a different matter regarding criminal issues, though; is that right?

Yeah. So if I said -- if I said the State Attorney General, I would have misspoken. I believe it's Maricopa Prosecutor's Office. So if I misspoke about that, I apologize but it's a criminal case so it's -- and I believe they were Maricopa.

I appreciate that clarification.

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Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 98 of 166 MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D. - Cross Do you know if there was any discussion in this case 03:23:02 about whether the Attorney General and State would retain you? I suspect there was. I know who won the last election and it was a Democrat and not a Republican and these things are political, so I can only imagine that there were conversations 03:23:15 about this case. I would like to pull up Defense Exhibit 902, please. is your rebuttal to Dr. Minnite; correct? Α. Yes. MR. DODGE: Could we go to paragraph one. Zoom in on 03:23:36 that. BY MR. DODGE: You say in the last sentence here: My analysis is based on my knowledge and experience as an active research economist who is well versed in the frontier empirical methods used in 03:23:48 causal analyses. Did I mostly get that right? I think so.

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So it's fair to say you hold yourself out as an expert on evaluating the impact of things?

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- But also, you know, doing research more generally, including working with data, linking data sets, all of the things that you have to do to be, you know, an active research economist which we've talked about before.
- I think it's fair to say you would agree that you don't

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hold yourself out as someone with specialized knowledge about	03:24:15
how elections work?	
A. Yeah. I think that's true. My knowledge comes from	
reading the literature on these things and so on.	
MR. DODGE: Could we please go to paragraph 16 of	03:24:42
professor Hoekstra's report here?	
BY MR. DODGE:	
Q. You criticized Dr. Minnite here. You, Dr. Hoekstra, in	
your report here in paragraph 16 criticize Dr. Minnite for not	
accounting for the difficulty in detecting and observing fraud.	03:25:05
Is that fair?	
A. Yeah. That's fair.	
Q. And in making this criticism, you cite I think three	
political science papers that use various language say it can	
be hard to detect fraud. Is that fair?	03:25:20
A. Yeah, I think that's fair.	
Q. And you don't cite anything else in your report to support	
that criticism beyond these three papers?	
A. Yeah. I didn't attempt to find the universe of papers	
that say documenting cheating or fraud or corruption is hard.	03:25:36
I mean I think it's pretty much universally acknowledged but I	
cited those because they were literally cited by Minnite.	
Presumably she finds them reliable and I'm pointing out they	
acknowledge this.	
Q. Did you review those studies prior to reviewing	03:25:56

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Dr. Minnite's report?

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I had some familiarity with the Ahlquist paper from the previous case. I don't think I was familiar with these other two before this case. And certainly I read them. I'm more careful now.

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- The one paper that you read, that was in connection with Q. prior work as an expert witness?
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Q. It wasn't from your own scholarship?

connection with this case?

- I believe that's correct. I mean don't honest I wrote 10 11 that paper that we talked about probably three years before we publish it and so that's some time ago, and I'm not going to 12 remember all of the papers that I read while we were working on 13 that project. 14
 - Is it fair to say that most of the literature you've read 03:26:44 with respect to the extent of voter fraud has been in
 - So that would be true for the most recent literature. Again, when we worked on this project on the impact of voter identification, I would have looked through the literature then 03:27:05 as well writing that paper. A lot of that probably got cut in the final version because we had to make it really short. I would have familiarized myself with the literature then as
 - So just a couple of questions about those three papers you

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there are 450,000 non-citizen adults in Arizona.

it would be for any of those 450,000 non-citizens to be able to vote. Is that fair to say?

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Your report doesn't make an opinion on how many of those people are in fact -- strike that question. It makes no census.

You don't do any analysis in your report suggesting there's currently a problem of non-citizens in Arizona

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frequently non-citizens might vote in future elections depending on whether these laws are put into effect?

one more time? I want to make sure I get it right.

Sure. You don't offer any opinion in your report about the frequency of non-citizen voting in future elections in Arizona based on whether the laws here are upheld?

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Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 104 of 166 MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D. - Cross I mean, my view of that is in a world where you take one Α. 03:31:34 more step to make it more difficult, you know, you'll probably have less. How much less, I don't know. I'm not going to claim to know any magnitude; but I know if there's scope for an issue and you take a step that makes it harder, if anything, 03:31:51 you would have less. I don't claim magnitude. My question is maybe a little narrower. You make no claim with respect to frequency of non-citizen voting in the future one way or the other based on the outcome of this case. that fair? 03:32:06 I mean, I thought I answered that. So now I'm -- I think when you take an additional step to prevent something from happening, if anything, we would expect less of it to happen in terms of lower frequency. I'm just not making a claim on whether that goes from 03:32:33 one so zero or a lot to zero or what because I don't know. You'll agree with me that you don't have any opinion on whether non-citizen reporting is common, rare, or nonexistent in Arizona? That's true. 03:32:57

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MR. DODGE: Can we pull up paragraph 18 of

Dr. Hoekstra's report responding to Dr. Minnite?

You write here that to the best of your knowledge, any one Ο. of the 450,000 individuals could vote in federal-only elections if they would sign the federal voter registration form and

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whether they believed the Federal-Form is susceptible to abuse	03:34:27
by non-citizens?	
A. I don't recall anything specifically about the	
non-citizens. It was clear that some of them believe that	
there were bad registration forms that were false and	03:34:38
problematic but I don't recall them saying if it was about	
non-citizens or other things. It may well have been other	
things.	
Q. Do you know if those claims were with respect to the	
federal form or the state form?	03:34:51
A. I don't recall as we sit here.	
MR. DODGE: Staying on the topic of County Recorders,	
if we could pull up paragraph 20 to 26 or so of Dr. Hoekstra's	
report.	
report. Q. You quote a few County Recorders, as you just indicated,	03:35:08
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Q. You quote a few County Recorders, as you just indicated, expressing some concerns with inaccurate voter registration forms. Fair to say? A. Yes. Q. You didn't speak with any of these election officials in preparing your report; right? A. That's correct. I only reviewed the transcripts.	
Q. You quote a few County Recorders, as you just indicated, expressing some concerns with inaccurate voter registration forms. Fair to say? A. Yes. Q. You didn't speak with any of these election officials in preparing your report; right? A. That's correct. I only reviewed the transcripts. Q. And you don't know whether any of these county officials	

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deposition and if you're talking about what they did at trial, 0	03:35:33
I definitely don't know what they said.	
Q. I'll represent to you that none of the three you quote	
testified at this trial so their testimony is in their	
deposition transcript. So focusing just on the deposition 0	03:35:44
transcripts, you cite in your report you're not sure whether	
any of them spoke to the issue of their awareness of	
non-citizens registering to vote within their jurisdictions?	
A. Yeah. I don't recall. Those were really long transcripts	
and I'm not going to claim to recall what they said everywhere.	03:35:59
Q. You're not making any claim about the extent or frequency	
with which inaccurate registration forms are submitted to	
counties in Arizona. Is that fair to say?	
A. I'm not attempting to put a number on it. I am merely	
pointing out that there are people on the front lines who	03:36:25
clearly think there are some problems.	
Q. Do you know how many County Recorders were deposed in this	
case?	
A. If I know, it would have come from the deposition when	
someone told me and I don't remember.	03:36:37
Q. Do you know how many counties are in Arizona?	
A. It was around 15. I forgot the exact number.	
Q. You got it right.	
A. All right.	

Did you review County Recorder deposition transcripts

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besides the three you quote here?	03:36:47
A. I think I reviewed a fourth one and I didn't use anything	
from that one so I I would have to go look at my records to	
figure out what it was but I think there was one that I	
reviewed that I didn't end up quoting.	03:37:01
Q. So it's fair to say you're not aware of whether other	
County Recorders testified with respect to awareness of	
non-citizens voting in their jurisdictions?	
A. That's correct.	
Q. In paragraph 24 of your report you refer to an email from	03:37:16
Ms. Stephanie Homewytewa in Pima County. Do you see that?	
A. Yes.	
Q. Did you speak with Ms. Homewytewa about this email?	
A. I did not.	
MR. DODGE: Let's go to paragraph 28 of	03:37:30
Dr. Hoekstra's report now.	
Q. You criticized Dr. Minnite for being overly reliant on	
conviction data. Is fair to say?	
A. I think it's more than just convictions. It's also	
prosecutions and convictions. Yes.	03:37:43
Q. You write in this paragraph that even if counties in	
Arizona believe there's voter fraud, they don't need to report	

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it for prosecution.

Yes.

Do you see that?

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1	Q. And you base that conclusion on a letter sent by the Chief	03:38:13
2	of Staff at the Arizona State Senate?	
3	A. I believe that's right.	
4	Q. The Arizona State Senate isn't responsible for prosecuting	
5	election crimes in Arizona. We can agree?	03:38:22
6	A. Yes.	
7	Q. Did you revie any County Recorder testimony in this case	
8	to assess their practices for referring allegations of voter	
9	fraud to prosecutorial authorities?	
10	A. No.	03:38:34
11	Q. Did you directly review any policies from County Recorder	
12	offices for referring allegations of voter fraud to	
13	prosecutors?	
14	A. No.	
15	Q. Is it fair to say you didn't review any records in this	03:38:50
16	case from the Arizona Attorney General's Election Integrity	
17	Unit?	
18	A. I believe that's correct, not that I recall.	
19	Q. Very briefly today you spoke about the incidence of	
20	property crime. Do you remember that?	03:39:09
21	A. Yes.	
22	Q. Is it fair to say that's the portion of your testimony in	
23	the Texas case where an objection was sustained and you weren't	
24	permitted to speak to it on the stand?	
25	MR. LANGHOFER: Relevance.	03:39:18

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1	THE WITNESS: Yes.	03:39:19
2	THE COURT: Overruled.	
3	The answer "Yes" will stand.	
4	BY MR. DODGE:	
5	Q. You would agree with me that election crimes and property	03:39:26
6	crimes are different in meaningful ways?	
7	A. Yes.	
8	Q. They have different incentives to commit them?	
9	A. Presumably different incentives. You know, if they are	
10	different in terms of whether there's a victim, whether the	03:39:39
11	victim knows about the crime. They are different in many ways,	
12	no doubt.	
13	Q. You spoke a little bit with Mr. Langhofer about	
14	Dr. Minnite's definition of voter fraud. Do you recall that?	
15	A. Yes.	03:40:00
16	Q. Prior to this litigation, you hadn't read any scholarship	
17	about the definition of voter fraud. Is that fair to say?	
18	A. No, that's not fair to say. Because I wrote a paper on	
19	this topic and I would have read a lot of things as part of,	
20	you know, writing that paper and evaluating the evidence on	03:40:18
21	voter fraud.	
22	Q. You recall you were deposed in this matter?	
23	A. Yes.	
24	Q. You had Mr. Langhofer by your side when you were deposed.	
25	A. Yes. Well, on Zoom I guess.	03:40:31
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1	Q. Metaphysically by your side. Do you recall if you were	03:40:33
2	asked that question in your deposition?	
3	A. No.	
4	Q. Could we pull up Dr. Hoekstra's November 1, 2023,	
5	deposition transcript and go to page 113, lines 11 to 13.	03:40:46
6	You were asked: "Prior to being engaged in this	
7	matter, had you read any scholarship on the definition of voter	
8	fraud?	
9	"No, I don't think so."	
10	Are you amending your answer today?	03:41:02
11	A. Yes. So certainly it would have been when I wrote that	
12	paper, which is probably six years ago, and so, you know, it	
13	wasn't at the front of my mind when you asked me that then but,	
14	you know, as I sit here today, like, did I read scholarship on	
15	voter fraud, yeah, because we were trying to speak to the	03:41:19
16	prevalence of one form of voter fraud with that paper.	
17	Q. I guess my question is a little narrower specifically	
18	about debates in the scholarly literature about how a person	
19	would define voter fraud. Had you read anything on that prior	
20	to being engaged in this matter?	03:41:35
21	A. Not that I recall. Yeah, probably not.	
22	Q. And you don't offer any competing definition of voter	
23	fraud in your report responding to Dr. Minnite?	
24	A. Well, I think a more inclusive better measure of voter	
25	fraud would be one well, let me rephrase.	03:41:51

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I think a more useful measure for this case would not require criminal intent because that's not the only thing that legislators were attempting to prevent. I also think it would include fraud committed by -- you know, by third parties and those would be meaningful differences to -- so I'm essentially proposing an amended definition that -- I don't know that I would call it voter fraud but I would call it a measure of unlawful voting that is relevant for this case.

MR. DODGE: Can we pull up paragraph 47 of
Dr. Hoekstra's report?
BY MR. DODGE:

Q. You write here that Dr. Minnite's definition of voter fraud, quote, improperly excludes any other form of election corruption committed by nonvoters.

Can you explain why election corruption committed by nonvoters should be included within the scope of voter fraud?

A. Well, the point is, you know, that she's limiting things to voter fraud so she's excluding things that come from third parties, things that would come from campaigns, things that would come from these registration drives organized by, you know, by third parties. Those are not voters. They are third parties that are, you know, may be registering people to vote and she's excluding that.

Q. You mentioned campaigns. Can you explain to the Court how H.B. 2492 or H.B. 2243 regulate what campaigns can do?

Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 113 of 166 MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D. - Cross I mean, we all know what the statutes say. I've not Α. 03:43:36 thought about if I were going to be a third party how exactly would I engage in fraud. I'm not going to claim to know exactly how they would do that. But I don't know if you're trying to figure out is there election fraud on the system, I 03:43:53 don't know why you limit it only to voters and not third parties. I mean, the gist of my question is this: You've criticized Dr. Minnite for only looking at voters and my question is, do you know if the laws in this case regulate 03:44:06 anything beyond voters? So there's a couple of different issues. There's the laws Α. in this case and what they are doing. What her report is about is not just non-citizen voting. It's about fraud much more generally and in doing that, she's excluding this stuff and I 03:44:33 think she ought not. And it may very well be true, and I'm trying to see

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And it may very well be true, and I'm trying to see her thinking about that when they think about non-citizen voting in particular, maybe that's all by voters and maybe it's not by third parties. I'm not sure as I sit here would -- could third parties be involved in this in some way. I don't know.

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But her evidence is not just about non-citizen voting. It's about fraud more generally than that.

Q. Yeah. That's fair enough. I guess I mean even just

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1	setting aside Dr. Minnite's report I'm curious if you do think	03:45:12
2	these laws regulate nonvoter actors in the electoral process?	
3	A. It could potentially impact what, you know, what third	
4	parties can do with respect to registering, say, non-citizens	
5	to vote.	03:45:28
6	Q. You don't offer any examples in your report of a	
7	non-citizen in Arizona who registered to vote without	
8	fraudulent intent. Fair to say?	
9	A. I didn't discuss any one-off examples at all in my report.	
10	MR. DODGE: Could we pull up paragraphs 52 through 54	03:45:44
11	of Dr. Hoekstra's report?	
12	BY MR. DODGE:	
13	Q. And I'm glad to zoom in if you like.	
14	A. Zooming in would be great.	
15	Q. You quote a couple of legislators here who testified in	03:45:57
16	the hearings regarding the bills at issue here. Fair?	
17	A. Yes.	
18	Q. But you would agree with me that you didn't	
19	comprehensively review the legislative history of the	
20	Challenged Laws?	03:46:16
21	A. So that's true. I attempted to find the transcript that	
22	Professor Minnite referred to when she cited these same things.	
23	I wasn't able to find them. I'm quoting them and presumably	
24	she thought I mean my understanding is she didn't testify to	
25	this part of her report. But she was making some accusations	03:46:31
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about the people who supported this and I'm pointing out that	03:46:36
she has no evidence of that.	
Q. I'm just trying to understand the scope of what you looked	
at for your report and I think you answered my question which	
is that you didn't comprehensively look at the record it when	03:46:48
came to the legislative debates over this bill?	
A. That's correct. I looked at the things that she cited as	
evidence of essentially discriminatory intent by the supporters	
and I pointed out that it doesn't actually have any evidence of	
that.	03:47:05
Q. A moment ago you said something I think very closely to	
the effect of the kind of fraud the kind of behavior	
legislators were intending to prevent with this law. Do you	
recall that?	
A. Sure. I think so.	03:47:17
Q. But you're not offering an opinion on what the legislators	
who voted for these laws, what their actual legislative intent	
was in enacting them?	
A. I'm pointing out that if you take them at their word as	
quoted in Professor Minnite's report, they seem to be	03:47:33
interested in preventing voting by non-citizens and they didn't	
seem to make any claim in what she quoted at least that they	
were only interested in stopping this if there was criminal	
intent or intent to corrupt the process.	

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Fair to say, though, that your opinion is limited to your

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peer-reviewed literature that Dr. Minnite discusses in her the prevalence of voter fraud by Professor Jesse Richman. that fair to say?

through it briefly. I didn't spend lots of time thinking about it.

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And as a general matter, you're aware that it purported to find fairly substantial evidence of non-citizen voting in the 2008 presidential election?

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And you're aware that there was a fair amount of criticism 03:49:12

Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 117 of 166 MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D. - Cross in the political science field of Professor Richman's article? 03:49:15 I'm only aware of that from counsel to some extent about the criticism about how, you know, wide it was or whatever. the only thing I'm -- I have real good knowledge about is that the paper that critiqued it where, again, I didn't read it 03:49:33 carefully but I am aware of it. Do you have any view of the critique offered in that rebuttal article you just alluded to? Α. No. You don't discuss Professor Richman's article in your 03:49:47 report. Is that fair to say? Α. That's right. Are you aware of any other peer-reviewed article finding substantial levels of non-citizen voting in the United States? Yeah, I'm not aware. To be clear, I'm not aware one way 03:50:02 or the other. I don't know if there are things that say it's zero or things that says it's a lot. Fair enough. Is there a reason you didn't discuss Professor 03:50:14

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Richman's paper in your report?

We talked about this before and I was trying to Yeah. figure out why you asked me so many questions about this in the deposition and then it occurred to me that this guy Richman is another expert for the defense.

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reading it. Like I knew he was another expert but I didn't recognize the name as I saw it. I literally was responding to four reports in a short period of time. I was focusing on the stuff that Minnite was emphasizing and I was simply pointing out that she had a 330 plus word footnote where she talked about things she excluded. But I didn't have time to go dig into it.

- Q. We agreed in your deposition that she actually spent some time above the line in her report discussing Professor Richman's paper at some length. Is that fair?
- A. So at the very end of her report she talked a bit about that, yeah.
 - Q. Here's the gist of my question: In your report you look at I think a half-dozen or so papers that Professor Minnite relies upon in reaching her conclusion but here you have another article that reaches a contrary finding but you don't consider it at all in your report in evaluating the other papers she relies on.

And so I'm just curious why you chose not to discuss it in your report.

A. I mean, she didn't feature it heavily. It's like literally a thing -- again, so we made clear in the deposition the discussion. We can go pull up the discussion at the end of her report and exactly the context in which she's discussing about discussing that paper.

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Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 119 of 166 MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D. - Cross But as I read it, like I thought, well, here we have 03:51:48 something that she's excluding that's not helpful. I'm going to point out that she's excluding this paper that's not helpful and I didn't have time to go dig into the weeds of, you know, can this thing be explained by measurement error or can it not. 03:52:02 And honestly I think we already -- well, I think tomorrow you're going to have this person testify and he can testify directly about this stuff presumably. Let's move on from Professor Richman and get to the papers you did discuss in your report. 03:52:18 MR. DODGE: Can we pull in section six at paragraph 55 of professor Hoekstra's report? You offer some criticisms of how she relies on these papers. Fair to say? Α. Yes. 03:52:45 But it's fair to say that in this section of your report, maybe --

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Q. you only discuss two of those six papers; right? We can

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- I'm trying to remember to make sure you're not Α. Yeah. misstating things.
- So let's look at -- well, let's look at 57 and 58. here you're looking at one of the papers, the Goel paper, is that fair to say?
- Α. Right. 24

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Α. that. I'm not going to claim that voter confidence is going to get a lot better. The best I've done is introduced the one study which finds some evidence that when you made people aware of the safeguard, there were improvements in perceptions of election integrity.

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advocacy organization. Do you see that?	03:57:43
A. Yes.	
Q. Do you know what advocacy organization was involved?	
A. I want to say it was the Women's League of Voters.	
Q. League of Women Voters sounds right to you?	03:57:53
A. League of Women Voters, that sounds better.	
Q. Do you know anything about their reputation when it comes	
to working at elections?	
A. Not that I'm willing to say under oath as I stand here.	
Q. So you wouldn't know if perhaps they are a highly	03:58:03
respected relatively nonpartisan organization when it comes to	
elections?	
A. I suspect I suspect that's true because I don't know	
them to be partisan but I'm not I don't have a lot of	
knowledge about the organization.	03:58:14
Q. Are you aware of any similar advocacy organization in	
Arizona that's undertaken a public outreach campaign to educate	
voters in this state about the laws at issue here?	
A. I don't know one way or the other.	
Q. Let's assume for a moment the control group here didn't	03:58:34
get postcards. In that case your average Arizona voter would	
be much more like the control group, right, as a person who	

didn't receive a postcard?

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again, we can look at the main results and I think we can

Yeah. I'm not sure that assumption is true. You know,

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this article, specifically the paragraph under Experimental

a random sample" ending in "voter per household"?

relied exclusively on people with land line telephones?

Could we highlight the sentence beginning "We obtained

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BY MR. DODGE:

That's right.

Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 125 of 166 MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D. - Cross MR. DODGE: If we can pull up the next paragraph now. 04:00:09 And can you highlight the portions beginning with "All 28,000 subjects" through the end of the paragraph about the bottom two-thirds? BY MR. DODGE: 04:00:22 Based on this excerpt, it's fair to say that only 1.54 percent of the 28,000 subjects ultimately responded and were included within the survey? Α. That's right. So as with many surveys, response rates are incomplete. They are low in general. This is, you know, maybe 04:00:37 especially low and so the authors do things to try to deal with that. It's fair to say the authors acknowledge that the individuals who they did count tended to be older and tended to vote at higher rates than the full sample? 04:00:49 I don't recall but that may well be true. Just a couple stray questions and I'll finish up. naturalized citizens and citizens. Do you recall that? 04:01:06

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 - gave some testimony on direct about the differences between
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- And, I mean, you said that naturalized citizens do well.
- They are successful. Is that fair? 22
- They are more advantaged on average compared to, 23 Α. you know, citizens by birth. 24
 - Q. Naturalized citizens start in this country as

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would know for sure. I mean, they may well be different. say that.

It was just striking to me that you noted that naturalized citizens are appreciably different from citizens and I was wondering if the same was true relative to non-citizens.

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Yeah, the reason I'm focused on citizens here is because, you know, citizens are the ones who can vote legally. And so if we're thinking about the people who are impacted, like these are the people we want to be comparing.

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Q. That's fair. That's fair. I was curious about that.	04:02:32
Final questions. You mentioned a couple of polls	
nationally about public concern about the integrity of the	
electoral system.	
A. Yes.	04:02:44
Q. Those were national polls?	
A. Yes.	
Q. They were conducted prior to the enactment of these laws?	
A. Yes. I think 2016 and 2020 I believe were the dates of	
those.	04:02:55
Q. And you don't cite any polls specific to Arizona?	
A. Yeah. I mean, if there were, I didn't find it. To my	
knowledge, most of these polls are doing things nationally but	
if there's one that is specific to Arizona, I missed it.	
Q. You mentioned in direct that you thought there were	04:03:10
700,000 people in Arizona who would be concerned or have doubts	
about the integrity of the electoral system. Do you recall	
that?	
A. I believe the 700,000 number was the number, the estimated	
number of registered voters in Arizona who believe there is	04:03:25
a that non-citizen voting is very common. I believe that's	
the correct characterization of that.	
Q. Correct me if I'm wrong. You got that number by taking	
those national survey results and just applying them to the	

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population of Arizona; right?

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A. Correct. So it's the fraction of people in that survey	04:03:46
who said they believe there was a great deal of non-citizen	
voting and I think I can probably back this out. I think it	
was 17 percent. You multiply 17 percent by 4.2 million I	
believe registered voters in Arizona and you come up with that	04:04:03
number.	
Q. But it's fair to say you didn't do any analysis focus	
specifically on the attitudes of Arizonans with respect to	
public faith in the electoral system?	
A. That's correct. Again, I think, you know, given that	04:04:19
there was clearly support for these laws politically, I think	
in general, it's reasonable to believe that those numbers are	
probably conservative, but obviously I don't know the true	
numbers because we didn't do the survey.	
MR. DODGE: I pass the witness.	04:04:34
MS. KANTOR COHEN: Michelle Kantor Cohen for Poder	
Latinx plaintiffs.	
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BY MS. KANTOR COHEN:	
Q. Dr. Hoekstra, in these questions I'll refer to your report	04:05:14
in response to Dr. McDonald which has been marked as DX 901.	

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In this report, similar to your rebuttal to Dr. Minnite, you say that your analysis in the case is based on my knowledge and experience as an active research economist who is well versed in the frontier empirical methods used in causal

documentation and it doesn't change things for others, there's

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And when you wrote your report, you didn't know the specific penalties for intentionally registering to vote as a non-citizen in Arizona; correct?

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- Yeah, I did not look into that, like either what's in the statute or in practice what the penalties are that get laid out.
- And when you wrote your report, you were not aware of what the immigration-related consequences for registering to vote as

a non-citizen would be; right?

That's true. Well, let me rephrase. So it's true I didn't know exactly what the consequences are. I can imagine if you commit a felony and you're convicted of a felony, it's not surprising to me that that could have implications for whether you can remain in the country.

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- Let's take a moment to talk about the sources you consulted in preparing your report.
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- In writing your report, you did not review the testimony 10 11 of any representatives of the Secretary of State's office in this case; correct? 12
 - That's correct I think. Α.
 - And in writing your report, other than a few transcripts cited in your response to Dr. Minnite's report, you did not review the testimony of additional County Recorders in this case; right?
 - I believe I cited three and I think from memory, I think I looked over a fourth and I think that was the extent of it.

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- You did not review testimony of the Arizona Department of Transportation in this case; correct?
- That's correct. Α.
- You did not review testimony of United States Citizenship 24 Q. 25 and Immigration Services representatives in this case; right?

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which is already in evidence.

individuals comprise a higher percentage of federal-only voters than they do active registered voters; right?

- Α.
- Sure. You would agree that Hispanic individuals, 19 Q. according to this table, comprise a higher percentage of 20 federal-only voters than the percentage of active registered 21 voters; right? 22
 - That's correct. Α.

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things are proportional or disproportional. Again, I would emphasize that if you want to believe that this law was passed with discriminatory intent, you would have to believe that the White people than non-White people. And maybe -- you can believe. Anyone can believe that if you want to but that's -you would have to believe.

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But again, if the federal-only voters were all citizens, you would agree that the appropriate benchmark would be active 04:13:24 registered voters?

I agree it's the appropriate benchmark for assessing proportional/disproportional effects. What I'm disputing is whether or not that's the right way to think about evidence of discriminatory intent.

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	MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D Cross	
1	Q. You haven't conducted any analysis in your report as to	04:13:45
2	whether non-citizens are equally likely to apply to register to	
3	vote as citizens, have you?	
4	A. Can you ask that again?	
5	Q. Sure. You haven't conducted any analysis as to whether	04:13:55
6	non-citizens are equally likely to register to vote as	
7	citizens, have you?	
8	A. I have not.	
9	Q. Let's turn to another article you relied on in your	
10	testimony.	04:14:14
11	MS. KANTOR COHEN: Can we please pull back up DX 950?	
12	BY MS. KANTOR COHEN:	
13	Q. And you relied on this article to support your conclusions	
14	regarding negative interactions with law enforcement?	
15	A. Yes.	04:14:28
16	Q. When you wrote your report, you had not read this article	
17	in its entirety; correct?	
18	A. I had not read it super carefully, that's true.	
19	Q. Let's look at page 934, the first full paragraph.	
20	The pertinent issue here was actually abandoned	04:14:54
21	before the election, wasn't it?	
22	A. Yes. I pointed that out earlier when I testified about	
23	this.	
24	Q. And the challenged voters got a letter from election	
25	officials that their rights were restored and they could vote	04:15:06

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itself was halted; right?

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has to be interpreted in light of the fact that the purge

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A. Yes. They are picking up the impact of both of these	04:16:36
letters, both the one that says we're challenging your	
registration and I think roughly half of the people then went	
through with proving citizenship and then obviously the second	
letter as well that said just kidding. Everybody here can vote	04:16:50
regardless of whether or not you did that.	
MS. KANTOR COHEN: Can we look at the next two	
sentences, please.	
BY MS. KANTOR COHEN:	
Q. And the authors write, "As it is unlikely that the aborted	04:17:05
purge demobilized any potential voters, our estimates only	
capture the positive changes in vote propensity we would expect	
to observe for some had the purge been conducted. In the	
absence of a halt to the process"	
THE COURT: Are you trying to test the speed of the	04:17:22
court reporter?	
MS. KANTOR COHEN: I apologize.	
THE COURT: I think she's probably passing the test	
but really at 4:20 in the afternoon, it's not really fair to	
talk as fast as you possibly can.	04:17:30

The second sentence there, "In the absence of a halt to the process, the increased costs would have undoubtedly kept some previously registered individuals from voting."

You didn't actually --

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Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 138 of 166 MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D. - Cross I'm trying to find where you're reading. Α. 04:17:45 I'm sorry. It's the next two sentences after the first one we looked at. So it's the third and fourth sentences at the top of the page. Okay. Beginning with "In the absence of"? 04:17:57 Α. "As it is unlikely." Q. Α. Got it. Got it. You didn't --Q. THE COURT: Hold on. Let him read it. Let us know when you're finished. 04:18:11 THE WITNESS: Just give me a second. Okay. I've read it. BY MS. KANTOR COHEN: You didn't actually discuss this language in your report, did you? 04:18:28 So that's correct. I also disagree with part of what they Α. are saying here. Part of what they are saying is not true. So it's not going to be true that they are only capturing, you know, positive changes in voting propensity. To the extent that Professor McDonald was right there 04:18:41

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To the extent that Professor McDonald was right there and that this interaction with law enforcement, you know, has this, like, negative impact on you, which is what he's asserting in his report, if that were true, then you would expect a lot of these people to perhaps become less likely to vote and you don't see that. In fact, you see the opposite.

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Q. All right. Let's move to another study that you discussed	04:19:09
which was DX 951, Citrin and Green. And you talked about this	
earlier in your testimony for the point about voter ID measures	
that increased turnout in your view; right?	
A. Yes.	04:19:29
Q. And before you read sorry. Excuse me.	
Before you wrote your report, you didn't read this in	
its entirety; correct?	
A. I mean, again, I looked through things to try to figure	
out whether they were good. Did I read every paragraph, every	04:19:41
word? Probably not.	
Q. This was a controlled experiment; correct?	
A. Yes.	
Q. This treatment was providing information about the voter	
ID requirement; right?	04:19:52
A. Yes.	
Q. Both the treatment and the control groups were subject to	
the voter ID requirement in the study; right?	
A. Yes, although they might not have been aware of it and	
that's why this study is useful.	04:20:04
Q. But they both had to show both the control group and	
the treatment group had to show their ID; right?	

So the study didn't observe the impact of the voter ID

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requirement on the treatment group; right?

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That's true.

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- A. They are looking at the impact of, essentially, knowledge about that ID requirement as well as whatever it is that they were queuing up in the messages that they sent out.
- Q. But the given here is that all voters have the ID requirement applied to them in the study; right?

A. That's -- so that's true. All voters have the ID requirement. Some of them, you know, the voting requirement was made salient to them and some of them it wasn't. And that's relevant especially when we start thinking about all of those other studies that we look at, like, why are you seeing positive effects sometimes?

Well, for whatever reason, it seems like being made aware of these things can sometimes cause increases in turnout.

- Q. And in your deposition you guessed that H.B. 2492 or 2243 came with a voter education requirement. Do you remember that?
- A. Yeah. My -- sure. Most of the time these things come with some educational requirement. I didn't claim particular knowledge I don't think about Arizona.
- Q. So let's pull up DX 952, please. It's entitled "Strict ID Laws Don't Stop Voters" and you discussed this on your direct testimony; right?
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- 23 Q. And this is not a controlled experiment; right?
- A. That's correct. It's difference-in-differences which we've talked about.

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Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 141 of 166 MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D. - Cross And let's look at the abstract. It says at the end: Q. 04:21:41 Strict ID requirements have no effect on fraud, actual or perceived. Overall, our findings suggest that efforts to improve elections may be better directed at other reforms. You don't -- do you see where it says that? 04:21:59 Yes. Yes. Α. Q. You don't discuss this language in your report; right? That's correct. Α. Q. Isn't this directly contrary to your point? In what way is it directly contrary to my point? 04:22:12 It does not -- it states that strict ID requirements have Q. no effect on fraud, actual our perceived; correct? Correct. And I'm not asserting that as a result of these Α. 04:22:32

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laws that voter perception will definitely be improved. And as we've talked about in the deposition, I think one challenge in a paper like this is to overcome the fact that not everyone is aware of the laws.

And so if you want to look at the impacts on voting, well, like you're subject to the law regardless of whether you know it or not. When you want to look at the impact on perceptions, you really want to look -- you really want people to know about the law, because if they are not aware the law is in place, then you're not going to -- you're not going to find any difference in perceptions even if, you know, knowledge of the law would impact perceptions. And I think that's a

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MS. KANTOR COHEN: Excuse me.	04:24:30
THE WITNESS: Okay. 'ready.	
BY MS. KANTOR COHEN:	
Q. You've said that one of the things that come with the law	
is the mobilization efforts that come with campaigns; right?	04:24:38
A. Yeah. Lots of things can come with the laws.	
Mobilization efforts could be one of those things. Obviously,	
knowledge about the laws comes with those things. Potentially	
changes in perceptions of election integrity, possibly anger	
from claims of voter suppression, lots of things. This is one	04:24:53
of them.	
Q. So you agree that this article finds that these laws	
increase the likelihood that campaigns contact non-White	
voters; right?	
A. So that's literally what it says right there. I would	04:25:12
like to look at the table as well if I can just to make sure	
that they are determining that the right way.	
Q. Tell us when you get to the table that you want to look	
at.	
A. I think it's going to be after this I believe. Okay,	04:26:33
maybe before. There it is.	
Yeah, that's right. Okay. I see the estimate.	
Q. So just to	

And their characterization of it is fair. I just wanted

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to check that their characterization of it was fair and that

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campaigns responding to these laws have to spend money to do that mobilization; right? You're an economist.

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I want to say one more thing on that. I think there's two interpretations for those mobilization campaigns. One is that maybe they are trying to offset this stuff and they are -- legitimately think there's negative effects and they are going to try to offset it. The other is that they see an

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non-citizens were actually eligible for Medicaid; right?

I don't remember the number offhand but there was a chunk. Α.

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We can look at it. Does that refresh your recollection? Q.

Α. Yes.

That's true.

And I think we agreed that the study, the authors don't Q. know what the impact was on non-citizens who were not eligible for Medicaid versus citizens who were, in fact, eligible for

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Q. deposition that this study can't really tell us anything at all about the impacts of the DPOC policy on the specific population of non-citizens who, in fact, remained eligible for Medicaid; right?

I don't think -- I don't think what you said is true and it was a long question so you might need to ask it again.

So since there's no information on eligible for the benefit non-citizens versus ineligible for the benefit non-citizens, the study doesn't really tell us anything about

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1	the impacts of the policy on non-citizens who remained eligible	04:31:19
2	for the benefit; right?	
3	THE COURT: I am completely and totally confused.	
4	MS. KANTOR COHEN: I'll move on Your Honor.	
5	BY MS. KANTOR COHEN:	04:31:38
6	Q. For a Medicaid applicant, there's some kind of clear	
7	financial or health benefit of obtaining Medicaid coverage;	
8	right?	
9	A. Yes.	
10	Q. That coverage could have the benefit of thousands of	04:31:49
11	dollars in health care coverage for a beneficiary; right?	
12	A. I don't know what the number is. I'm not going to claim	
13	to know what the number is but clearly there's a benefit.	
14	Insurance is a helpful good thing that people value.	
15	Q. In your response to Dr. McDonald's opinion about the	04:32:10
16	impacts of negative interactions with Government, you opine	
17	that Dr. McDonald only considered studies that discussed voting	
18	behavior of people who have actually done something wrong. Is	
19	that a fair characterization of your opinion?	
20	A. I think it's fair. Certainly most of them have done	04:32:28
21	something wrong and it certainly includes a lot people if not	
22	the vast majority have done something wrong.	
23	MS. KANTOR COHEN: Can we pull up Exhibit 526,	
24	please.	
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- Q. voting declined eight percent for those who had been stopped and questioned by the police; right?
- That's a descriptive, in fact, and the question, of Α. Yeah. course, is whether it's appropriate to say that that decline happened because of that interaction and that's where I think there's problems.

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This afternoon with Mr. Langhofer you discussed three articles that Dr. McDonald cited and you stated that none of the articles he cited had to do with changes to voter

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1	registration rules. Do you remember that?	04:34:08
2	A. Not really, no.	
3	Q. It was about 2:20.	
4	A. Yeah. What was this about?	
5	Q. With respect to impact on voting propensity, that	04:34:20
6	Dr. McDonald cited that you discussed three articles only and	
7	you said none of them were about voter registration?	
8	A. What was his hypothesis that he was using these as support	
9	for? If you tell me that, I think I'll remember. But he cited	
10	a lot of stuff.	04:34:42
11	Q. So this was in reference to the long-term impacts of the	
12	cost sorry. That there's a body of research that increasing	
13	the cost of voter registration decreases voter turnout rates.	
14	Do you recall that?	
15	A. No, but we can talk about the papers and you can ask your	04:35:06
16	question and maybe I can answer it.	
17	Q. Let's look at Dr. McDonald's report, which is PX 332.	
18	Let's look at footnote 67, please.	
19	Dr. McDonald identified seven articles in footnote 67	
20	of his report. So I wanted to look at those and ask you about	04:35:38
21	what you were discussing in your testimony.	
22	You didn't discuss the book by Rosenstone and	
23	Wolfinger by Yale University Press; right?	
24	A. That's correct.	
25	Q. And you didn't discuss the Staci Rhine article in	04:35:57

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you did not discuss the Staci Rhine article in Political

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- You did not discuss the Mitchell and Wlezien article in Political Behavior; right?

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- That's correct. 22 Α.
- You didn't discuss Highton's article on voter registration 23 Q. 24 even though you did cite Highton on voter ID; correct?
 - I mean, I believe it's a different paper but that is

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1	correct. I don't believe I cited this particular paper by that	04:37:22
2	author.	
3	Q. And you didn't cite Leighley and Nagler's book published	
4	by Princeton University Press; correct?	
5	A. That's correct.	04:37:32
6	Q. And you did not cite either of Dr. McDonald's two articles	
7	on the impact of improved access to voter registration on	
8	turnout; correct?	
9	A. That's correct.	
10	MS. KANTOR COHEN: I'm going to take a moment to	04:37:42
11	confer with counsel, Your Honor.	
12	(Counsel confer.)	
13	MS. KANTOR COHEN: I'm going to pass the witness.	
14	THE COURT: Thank you.	
15	CROSS - EXAMINATION	04:37:48
16	BY MR. BABBITT:	
17	Q. Good afternoon, Professor Hoekstra. Chris Babbitt for the	
18	DNC and the Arizona Democratic Party.	
19	I'll be asking you about your rebuttal to Professor	
20	Burch this afternoon.	04:38:21
21	And I would like to pull up both your the	
22	conclusion of your report and Professor Burch's report which I	
23	believe are PX 328 and DX 900.	
24	And if we could go to page 26 of Professor Burch's	
25	report and page 23 of Professor Hoekstra's report. Maybe 22.	04:38:47
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So let's focus on your report. When you say that you

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believe these laws will have no effect, you mean no net effect	04:40:34
on voting; correct?	
A. No net effect on I'm basing this on the studies. And,	
again, as we've talked about in the deposition, these studies	
are using different baseline groups and so and mostly those	04:40:53
studies are finding zeros and in some cases they are finding	
positives and that's what I'm basing it on.	
So those studies are all looking at different	
populations?	
Q. You remember we discussed this in your deposition two	04:41:06
weeks ago; correct?	
A. Yes.	
MR. BABBITT: Stephen, if we could pull up page 246,	
beginning at lines 23 of Professor Hoekstra's deposition.	
BY MR. BABBITT:	04:41:23
Q. And I asked you: "What do you mean by 'no effect'?"	
And you said: "Zero effect."	
And I asked you: "Meaning that you don't believe	
these laws will affect the ability of a single Arizona citizen	
to vote?"	04:41:36
And you gave what I refer to as or I think of as a	
version of no. You said, "It is possible that some people	
would have would be less likely to vote and some people	
more."	

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they would identify effects. And people have done that here.

If you think that Black people are more likely to be affected or Hispanics, they focus on those subgroups.

Q. Okay. But just in terms -- I want to be clear on the point of net effect. We can take it out of left-handed and right-handed. If all of the Hoekstras were excluded but all the Babbitts were brought in and there were more Babbitts than Hoekstras, that would be positive; right? That's what we mean by net.

A. Yes. Although, again, it's possible for a study to have looked at let's look only at the impact of voting on Babbitts and let's look only at the impact of voting by Hoekstras and that's more or less what these studies have done. They don't do it by name but they are doing it by racial group, they are doing it by political party and other things and they are generally finding zeros and some positives.

Q. Okay. And so having surveyed all of that, your conclusion is that there is most likely to be no net effect on voting in Arizona?

A. For the relevant subgroups that have been studied, yes.

THE COURT: So to be more specific, is it your opinion that on naturalized citizens, the net effect would be zero, but some might be less likely, but some may be more likely and so it's a subgroup issue as opposed all of the voters?

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THE WITNESS: Yeah. I think -- I think that's right. 04:44:35 So if you look at it -- if you were to do the study and, you know, if you made this really easy on us, we could randomize or something and we would know for sure what answer was. But I think that's right. Like you look at the Biggers and Smith thing and you say, well, there's some evidence that these people who get targeted are more likely to vote. possible, you know, is it possible that there's something the other way. Like maybe. But there's not much evidence on that out there. Most of this stuff is either zeros or it's positives.

MR. BABBITT: Okay.

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- Okay. And when you say in your opinion here that you think it is most likely these laws will have no net effect or may increase voting, you're not assigning any particular probability. You just mean -- by most likely, you just mean more than 50 percent?
- Yeah, I believe that's fair. I believe if I put a probability on it, it would be with some false degree of certainty because obviously we don't know the probabilities.
- And you didn't conduct any sort of quantitative analysis Q. that would allow you to say whether it's 50.1, closer to 100, nothing like that?
- Α. I did not.

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- Okay. And when you say that the laws may increase voting, 04:45:42 do you mean that the laws themselves may increase voting by citizens in Arizona or do you mean that these other effects, like the mobilization by civic organizations, like the voter outreach by political campaigns, that that is what will need to 04:46:00 increase the voting?
- It will be the laws in those things and potentially those things that come along with the laws. And so if of those things could be the outreach stuff that you mentioned. But it I mean, it could be just the fact that we passed this law and I feel like you're trying to suppress votes and it makes me mad and I'm more likely to vote; or we passed these laws and now I feel better about elections because you're actually trying to do something about what I think is a problem and now I'm more likely to vote. Those things don't involve outreach but potentially it would include the effects of the outreach that come as a direct impact of this.
- And I think when you were asked about this by Mr. Langhofer this morning, you said something like these things come with lots of things. And the studies are going to pick up the net effect of these laws and everything that comes with them. It's that other stuff that you're talking about there?
- That's right. And, you know, the best they are going to do -- and I think the Pons paper is people on this where they

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say, yeah, we've got this increase in voting by Hispanics and	04:47:03
we've got some evidence of maybe additional outreach and could	ı
that explain part of it? Maybe. But it's hard to know for	1
sure because you don't know if they are the same people even.	ı
So they are appropriately cautious when they try to	04:47:20
tease out what is that mechanism for why voting went up.	ı
Q. And you're not offering an opinion to the effect that	1
these laws have already had a positive impact on registration	ı
or turnout; correct?	1
A. That's correct. I haven't done the study and to my	04:47:36
knowledge, none of the experts have either so I haven't	ì
responded to anything like that.	ı
Q. And you're not offering an opinion on when we might expect	1
that positive uptick to occur; right?	ı
A. I'm offering up these studies. We could certainly look at	04:47:50
those one by one and look at the timing of when did the effect	ı
show up and that would be the best evidence of what we would	l

expect when it comes to the timing.

But your report in this case does not offer a prediction about when we might expect to see this uptick; correct? is the question I'm asking.

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I'm not explicitly mentioning that. I'm citing the papers. In those papers they obviously talk about what's their sample and where are the effects and so on.

But you're not doing that here; correct?

Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 159 of 166 MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D. - Cross I'm citing the papers. Α. 04:48:20 But not offering an opinion on when? I'm citing the papers which, if you read the papers, you Α. can see when they found effects. The papers aren't coming into evidence. So the question 04:48:31 Q. is, you're not offering an opinion on when; correct? I would have to -- I mean -- I have not so far offered an opinion on when. If I were to think about the timing of these papers, I could try to come up with an answer. It would take me a minute to do that. 04:48:56 And you haven't quantified any potential increase; correct? When you say -- I haven't studied the actual impact of the laws so I haven't quantified that. Is that what you're asking me? 04:49:11 Yes. Q. Are you asking me about did I quantify a prediction or

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something?

You're not offering a quantified judgment or opinion here that says I would expect, as an economist, to see an uptick in voting by 10,000 voters. There's nothing to that effect in your reports; correct?

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That is correct. Again, in my report I'm talking about the magnitudes that we see elsewhere which I think are informative of what you might expect to see here and most of

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- My answer there is -- I mean, is correct.
- So you did not conduct a separate empirical analysis specific to this case to support the conclusions in the last

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Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 161 of 166 MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D. - Cross two sentences of your opinion correct? 04:50:54 1 That's correct. 2 Α. Did you conduct any surveys specific to this case? 3 Q. I did not. 4 Α. 5 Did you conduct any interviews specific to this case? 04:51:02 I did not. 6 Α. 7 Q. Did you speak to any Arizona voters in connection with this case aside from counsel? 8 9 Α. I did not. Did you speak with any Arizona officials in connection 10 04:51:11 11 with this case? 12 Α. No. 13 Did you contact anybody at the Arizona Department of Vital Ο. Records in connection with this case? 14 15 Α. No. 04:51:23 16 Did you review the Arizona Election Procedures Manual Q. 17 before drafting your report? 18 Α. I was asked that before and my answer was no. 19 Q. Okay. So let's go to your prior work on voting and we had 20 04:51:38 talked about the economics letters piece that Mr. Dodge asked 21 you about. That article was also published or rather the 22 research underlying it was also published by the Cato 23 Institute; is that correct? 24 25 They put out a brief summary of that article as 04:51:55 Yeah.

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documents providing proof of citizenship and that as many as 11	04:53:01
percent of citizens lacked government-issued photo	
identification."	
Did I read that correctly?	
A. Yes.	04:53:10
Q. And you're not questioning those figures for the purposes	
of your opinion in this case; correct?	
A. I'm not attempting to assess whether those figures were	
right or wrong. I'm just simply reporting there was a survey.	
This is what they reported to find.	04:53:22
Q. But you had enough confidence in these figures in 2020 to	
allow the Cato Institute to put out this publication over your	
name; correct?	
A. I'm not that survey is not attributable to me. I'm	
pointing out there was a survey that reported to find	04:53:37
something. That's it. I'm not vouching for it.	
Q. Do you typically cite sources that you're not prepared to	
vouch for?	
A. Sure. I mean, I'm not citing it in support of what I'm	
finding. I'm citing a number. There's a number out there.	04:53:49
They are claiming this. Do people cite papers where you might	
disagree with the paper? Of course. All the time.	
Q. Okay. But you have no reason did you have any reason	
to doubt had figure at the time?	

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I didn't look into it one way or the other. I didn't

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attempt to I didn't attempt to validate the survey one way	04:54:07
or the other.	
Q. You just threw it into your paper?	
A. I cited it in my paper.	
Q. All right. But you're not walking away from those figures	04:54:16
now. Let me ask a more precise question.	
Do you have any reason to believe that these numbers	
would not apply in Arizona in 2023?	
A. I don't know one way or the other. And from this I don't	
remember what survey it was.	04:54:32
Q. But you're not offering an opinion that it's incorrect,	
these figures are incorrect?	
A. I never attempted to assess the validity of this survey or	
vouch for the survey or criticize the survey. I simply	
reported what the survey reported to find.	04:54:48
Q. Okay. Which is that 7 percent of U.S. citizens did not	
have ready access to documentary proof of citizenship.	
Let's move on to the Medicaid literature.	
MR. BABBITT: Your Honor, I appreciate we're running	
up against the clock. This is a new topic. I'm happy to keep	04:55:07
going or stop here and pick up in the morning.	
THE COURT: I'm happy to stop here and pick up in the	
morning.	
MR. BABBITT: Okay.	
THE COURT: You can step down, sir.	04:55:17

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Case 2:22-cv-00509-SRB Document 659 Filed 11/16/23 Page 165 of 166 MARK HOEKSTRA, PH.D. - Cross You really want to go on? 04:55:20 1 THE WITNESS: I wanted to finish. I was hoping to go 2 3 home morning. I have a ticket tomorrow morning. THE COURT: Well, the thing is that I'm just guessing 4 5 Mr. Langhofer also has a few questions and so either way we did 04:55:30 6 it, we have to pick up in the morning because there's more than 7 five minutes left. Unless there's something that can't wait until 9 8 9 o'clock tomorrow morning. Nobody seems to be offering 10 anything. 04:55:48 11 We'll recess until tomorrow morning at 9 a.m. COURTROOM DEPUTY: All rise. 12 13 (Whereupon, these proceedings recessed at 4:55 p.m.) 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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